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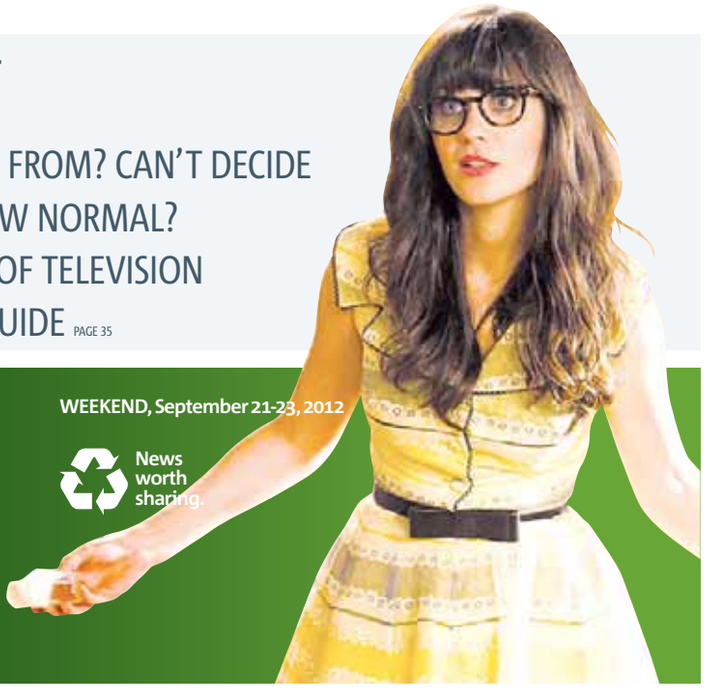

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THE DUDE ABIDES

Hot Art Wet City founder Chris Bentzen has collected about 30 pieces of Big Lebowski-themed art for the opening of his gallery Friday night. The new gallery is dedicated to pop culture and fan art, and kicks off with an homage to The Dude and other characters from the cult classic The Big Lebowski. Story, page 3. KATE WEBB/METRO

Advocate plans pot petition

One of British Columbia's leading marijuana advocates says he's going to raise an army of well-trained, disciplined volunteers for his effort to decriminalize possession and use of cannabis by adults.

Elections BC announced Thursday it has approved in principle an initiative petition filed by Dana Larsen, who ran unsuccessfully for the leadership of B.C.'s New Democrats.

Larsen's draft bill, entitled the Sensible Policing Act, would amend the Police Act, and prohibit the use of provincial police resources to enforce simple possession-and-use laws for adults. It also asks the province to call upon the federal government to repeal marijuana-prohibition laws or give B.C. an exemption.

Elections BC announced it will issue the petition Nov. 19, giving Larsen 90 days to collect the signatures of more than 10 per cent of registered voters in each of B.C.'s 85 electoral districts.

However, Larsen said he won't be gathering signatures this fall. Instead, he'll use the petition to generate attention and gather volunteers to find, train, excite and mobilize "an army of well-trained disciplined signature gatherers."

He said he will submit another application in September 2013 and then begin the process of collecting signatures.

"It is a very difficult procedure, absolutely," he said in an interview. "It's a big challenge. That's why we're doing it in this unique way of spending a year in advance to build support and build up our volunteer base."

Attorney General and Justice Minister Shirley Bond said in a statement that she has "confidence that our Police Act currently meets our public-safety responsibility to communities right across the province."

She also noted that her government had no authority to make decisions on decriminalization. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Dudeist art

Big Lebowski fans unite

The first exhibit at a new gallery dedicated to pop culture and fan art opening on East Broadway Friday night features a 30-piece homage to The Dude and the cast of other oddball characters from the Coen brother's cult classic The Big Lebowski.

Hot Art Wet City Gallery founder Chris Bentzen had been toying with the idea of opening a pop culture gallery in Vancouver for years. But it wasn't until he saw the success of the Fall Gallery's "Bill you Murray me?" show this past February, a collection of more than 100 pieces of Bill Murray fan art, that he realized there was an appetite for it in Vancouver.

The graphic designer and Emily Carr grad said he chose the 1998 film starring Jeff Bridges, John Goodman, Steve Buscemi, and Philip Seymour Hoffman because he knew fan art already existed.

"I was trying to think of a show that would have enough cachet to bring in an audience, and also art already out there, so if I didn't find anybody local I would know that I could find some art from out of town," he said.

"It's also because I said to myself, 'F--- it, I'm going to open a gallery.' It just seemed like such a Dude thing to do."

Bentzen said his Hot Art Wet City (HAWC) gallery was inspired by Los Angeles' Gallery 1988, which has two spaces dedicated to pop-culture-themed artwork.

HAWC's opening night party on Friday is from 5 to 9 p.m., and admission is free.

The exhibit at 752 East Broadway runs until Sept. 30. KATE WEBB/METRO

Group to shed light on victims of police

Lending an ear. One woman who lost her son after he was shot by police says it's difficult not having anyone to talk to during that time

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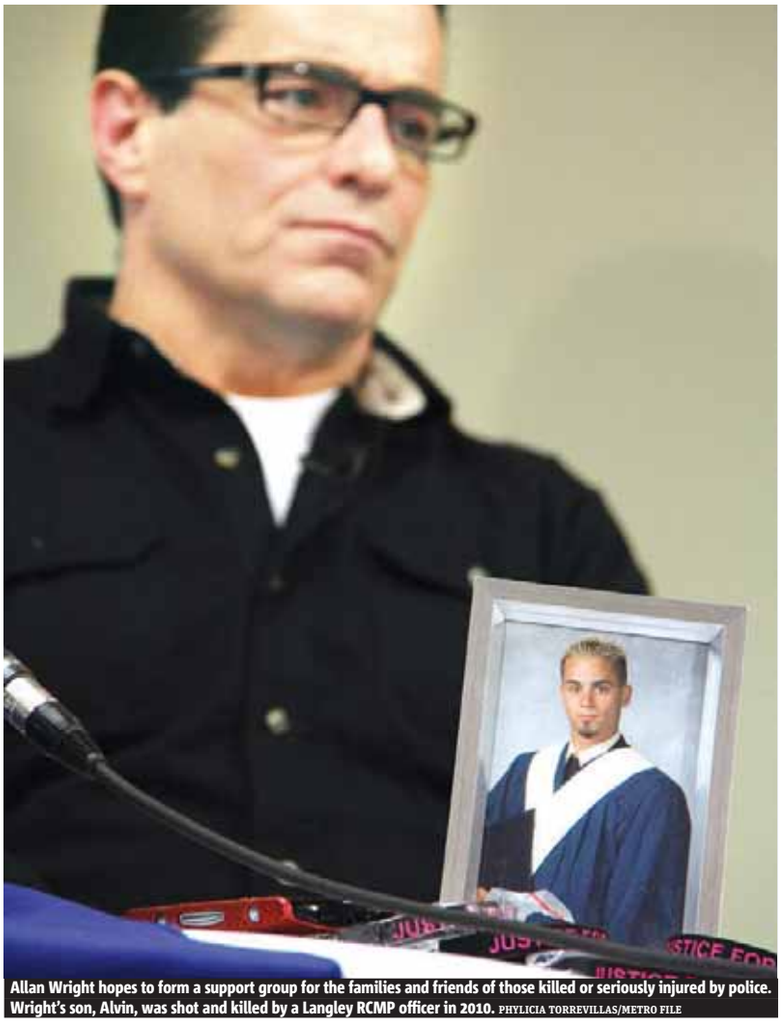

Allan Wright hopes to form a support group for the families and friends of those killed or seriously injured by police. Wright's son, Alvin, was shot and killed by a Langley RCMP officer in 2010. PHYLICIA TORREVILLAS/METRO FILE

Two parents whose sons were shot dead by Mounties are creating a new advocacy group that can provide support for families of people killed or seriously injured by police.

Al Wright's son, Alvin, was shot and killed by a Langley RCMP officer in August 2010.

Linda Bush lost her son, Ian, when he was shot by a Houston Mountie after being arrested in October 2005.

The two are working with the B.C. Civil Liberties Association to form a support group for families and friends who have gone through similar ordeals.

"Our group is all about nurturing them and getting them through this," Wright said Thursday. "They don't have to be a vocal voice, but they can be visually there with us and be involved with what we're going to be doing in the future.

"It's more about being there for the next victim ... for families to feel that they can trust somebody," he added.

Bush said she knows how it feels not having anyone to talk to during those difficult times and she's hoping others will come forward even if they lost their loved ones years ago.

The two grieving parents both said that the ultimate goal is to prevent such incidents from happening again. "We don't want death or violence by police at all," Bush said.

The B.C.-based group will meet in Vancouver for the first time this fall. Families and friends of those killed or seriously injured by police are asked to contact the BCCLA for an invitation to the meeting.

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Plane crash. Video prompts police search for remains at old site

The 60-year-old wreckage of a Second World War-era bomber in the mountains above Metro Vancouver prompted a search by RCMP for human remains.

Mounties in Pitt Meadows received a call about a video posted on YouTube by a group of hikers who claimed there were remains at the site of the 1953 crash.

On Sept. 14, officers, along with a forensic identification specialist and a dog unit, flew into the area and hiked to the remote location to search.

Const. Alanna Dunlop says no human remains were found.

The Mitchell B-25 went down near Pitt Lake in January 1953 during a training flight.

The wreckage of a plane is shown in a RCMP handout photo. THE CANADIAN PRESS

The site was so remote and the route so treacherous that air force crews had to wait until the following September to recover the bodies. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Cambie & 7th. Ruptured gas line forces evacuation of multiple buildings

Buildings near Cambie Street and 7th Avenue had to be evacuated after construction crews ruptured a main gas line Thursday morning.

Fire crews and police shut down the area and evacuated approximately 10 buildings as response crews from Fortis Gas tried to fix the damage. The leak took about four hours to contain.

Occupants and residents were allowed back into their buildings by early afternoon, though some gas outages were in effect. METRO

Women in the force

Crucial info found in harassment report: Mountie

The inspector in charge of the RCMP's new workplace action plan says an internal report about harassment within the force offers some important information.

Insp. Carol Bradley says no amount of harassment is acceptable, but she's pleased that female officers who took part in the study did not complain that harassment is rampant within the RCMP.

She says the response has been positive to the new policies aimed at stamping out problems such as bullying and sexual or physical harassment.

The internal report that prompted the new policies found female Mounties are afraid to complain about mistreatment, fearing they will be punished while the culprits face no consequences.

Women recalled a range of problems, including aggressive male supervisors, cases in which women were assigned to menial tasks and ignored in meetings, sexual innuendo, inappropriate touching and indecent exposure.

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Funding dispute

Lawyers mulling more legal-aid strikes

More strikes by B.C.'s legal-aid lawyers are possible this fall.

Members of the Trial Lawyers Association plan to meet tomorrow to decide how to continue to pressure for improved provincial funding for legal aid.

Duty counsel lawyers around the province have staged increasingly lengthy walkouts since last fall to back demands for better services.

They say the system is at the breaking point after two decades of cuts, but the province has said job action is primarily aimed at raising the hourly rate paid to lawyers.

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The penthouse of Altaire Highrise on Burnaby Mountain boasts some of the most spectacular views in the region. CONTRIBUTED

Soaring suite can be yours to rent

Burnaby Mountain. Owner claims penthouse is positioned higher up than any other apartment in region

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With views from 1,330 feet above, an apartment believed to be the highest in the Lower Mainland is now available for rent.

Rob Smallwood of the Westwood Ridge Development Corp. listed the 15th-storey penthouse suite of the Altaire Highrise at the UniverCity development on Burnaby Mountain last week.

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"I believe it's the highest apartment in Metro Vancouver," said owner and developer Michael Geller. "It's a chance to live on top of the region. You see a view of Metro that you'd only otherwise get in an airplane."

Geller is willing to stand corrected that the apartment is the highest in the region, but he hasn't been able to find anything taller other than the caretaker's cabin at Grouse Mountain.

UniverCity is a large, sustainable community built next to Simon Fraser University.

More than 3,000 people live in the community, which was established in 2001.

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Nobel winner to run for B.C. Greens

Nobel Peace Prize-sharing climate scientist Andrew Weaver has announced he will run for the B.C. Green party in Oak Bay-Gordon Head in the next provincial election.

Weaver is currently the Lansdowne professor and Canada research chair in climate modelling and analysis at the University of Victoria's school of earth and ocean sciences.

He was a member of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, which won the Nobel Prize in 2007.

Andrew Weaver CONTRIBUTED/GREEN PARTY OF B.C.

"By running for the Green party in the Oak Bay-Gordon Head riding, I have decided to do something I never thought I would do," Weaver said in a party press release.

"But with a rudderless provincial government and the potential for a landslide NDP victory in the upcoming election, I felt now was the time to get engaged to ensure that the principles of economic, social and environmental sustainability continue to be raised and discussed in the legislative assembly."

He is the author of two books on the science of climate change, Keeping our Cool: Canada in a Warming World and Generation Us: The Challenge of Global Warming.

"I'm hoping my candidacy will build some momentum for the B.C. Greens and attract other high-profile candidates who have their hearts in the Green camp," he said in the statement.

He will be trying to unseat Liberal MLA Ida Chong, who was recently named aboriginal relations minister in a cabinet shuffle. Jessica Van der Veen is running for the B.C. New Democratic Party. KATE WEBB/METRO

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Victoria. Inferno tears through farm, causing $300,000 in damage

Damage could top $300,000 in the wake of a massive blaze at a Victoria-area farm.

Flames broke out at around 7 p.m. Wednesday at Vantreight Farms in Central Saanich, about 20 kilometres north of Victoria.

Smoke billowed hundreds of metres into the air as 65 firefighters from several departments battled the fire.

Crews needed more than six hours to snuff the blaze, which was fuelled by thousands of plastic pallets used to store tulip and daffodil bulbs.

Despite the towering flames, farm workers and firefighters saved equipment and several nearby buildings and greenhouses, and no one was hurt.

A cause of the fire has not been determined, but it is not considered suspicious.

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Investigation

Police search for liquor-store robber

Mounties in Maple Ridge are investigating the theft of alcohol from several area liquor stores by a lone thief who is known to drive off after pulling the heist.

Cpl. Alanna Dunlop says that in the last two incidents the suspect has placed several bottles of liquor into a plastic carrying basket before fleeing out the door past the cashier's area.

Police believe the man takes off in a vehicle parked in a nearby lot.

Anyone with information is asked to call police.

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Dropoff site lets businesses reduce costs, reuse cash

It's easy being green. Recycling initiative in Strathcona could cut waste bills in half

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Strathcona green-zone consultant Sophie Agbonkhese wants to help other BIAs reduce their waste with mid-sized urban recycling and composting parks. KATE WEBB/METRO

Businesses in Strathcona are invited to use a new pickup service for compost and recycling that could save them hundreds of dollars a month.

The Strathcona Green Zone Resource Park on East Hastings just west of Clark opened its gates on Thursday. Rows of sheds serve variously as storage lockers for composters, plastics and metals. Next to them a small urban garden uses the compost to grow food for a local restaurant.

Strathcona Business Improvement Association (BIA) consultant Sophie Agbonkhese said a survey found medium-sized businesses in the area spend an average of $1,000 a month on private waste pick-up.

"If half of that was food waste, then they could save half," she said.

Most businesses only bother paying for paper and cardboard recycling, but Agbonkhese said the cost of using the park is now largely included in their annual business-licence fees. It cost about $75,000 to set up, $51,000 of which came from the City of Vancouver and Metro Vancouver. The rest was paid for by the BIA.

It is the first of its kind in Vancouver: a mid-scale commercial composting facility.

"We want this to be a model that can be used throughout the city, so if anyone's interested in developing a site like this we really want to help them do that," Agbonkhese said.

About 40 of the 400 businesses in the Strathcona BIA have already signed on, and the BIA wants to hear from others interested in using the facility and its pickup services. It's located where an empty parking lot used to be at 1245 East Hastings. For information, visit strathconabia.com.

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Kamloops. Firefighters free noisy woodpecker stuck in schoolyard tree

Firefighters are often pressed to rescue animals from some strange situations, but a call to a Kamloops, B.C., schoolyard has to be near the top of the oddity list.

A woodpecker needed rescuing after it became stuck in a tree.

Staff at Lloyd George Elementary called for help after the woodpecker became trapped Thursday morning in a metal sheath surrounding the tree.

Principal Ken Rife says the bird's frantic efforts to peck its way out attracted a crowd of curious kids.

He says the children were worried as the anxious woodpecker made quite a racket during its efforts to be set free.

The fire department's Mike Adams says firefighters used a screwdriver to pry open the barrier so the bird could fly off.

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Greenwood

Kootenay city awaits results of water testing

It will be at least a few more days before the 700 residents of the Kootenay community of Greenwood can drink water straight from the tap.

That's unusual: Greenwood won an international competition last spring naming its water as the best-tasting in the world.

But someone broke into the town's reservoir on Sunday, raising fears that something may have been tossed into the water to contaminate it.

Since then, Greenwood residents have only been using their water to flush toilets. But some tests could be back as early as Friday, allowing officials to downgrade the do-not-use order to a boil water advisory, pending results of final tests due within days.

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Retro film festival brings you back to yesteryear

Film aficionado and festival organizer Ronald Tucker is seen dressed as "The Dude" last March at the Ritz Cinema in Sydney. CONTRIBUTED/HOLLY STAR PHOTO

Celebrating classics. Special events include Priscilla, Queen of the Desert drag contest, The Big Lebowski Bash

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The first-ever retro cinema festival to hit Vancouver will give movie buffs a blast from the past as the Denman Cinema gives its final curtain call after more than a half-century.

The Vancouver Retro Cinema Fest, which kicks off Sunday and runs until the 30th, will feature 15 pop-culture classics — from The Godfather and Back to the Future to The Big Lebowski.

These will be the final movies to be shown at the West End neighbourhood theatre, which is closing at the end of the month.

"It's a huge honour and responsibility," said festival organizer Ronald Tucker. "We really want to make sure we throw a great party and have a great week of events."

The former movie usher, who came up with the idea while working at a theatre in Australia, said there's nothing quite like being in the cinema to celebrate classic films.

"People know the movies so well already … so complete strangers become great friends almost immediately," Tucker said.

The festival also features two special events — a Priscilla, Queen of the Desert drag contest and The Lebowski Bash.

"We've had people show up as milk and Kahlua, people running around with giant scissors from the movie," he said of his previous event in Australia. "We've had one woman show up as a giant toe and had another guy who flew halfway across the country dressed up as a bag of dirty laundry."

Tickets are $20 to $25 per night. For more information, visit vancouverretrocinema.com.

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The largest organics biofuel facility in Canada will be built in Surrey as a way to divert waste from the landfill and turn it into natural gas.

Mayor Dianne Watts says about a quarter of the facility's project costs will come from the federal government and that a private partner will be chosen to design, build and operate it by 2015.

The mayor says Surrey collects waste from about 100,000 homes and that about 65 per cent of its residential garbage includes organics from commercial kitchen and yard waste.

City spokeswoman Tara Foslien says that eventually, Surrey aims to be home to North America's only fully integrated organics waste management system.

It involves organic waste being picked up by a fleet of trucks that transport it to the biofuel facility, where waste will be processed into fuel to power the trucks.

Construction of the facility is expected to start next year. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Sheet of glass falls 36 storeys

WorkSafeBC is investigating after a nearly one-ton piece of glass fell about 36 storeys from a construction site and onto a car in downtown Vancouver.

Spokeswoman Donna Freeman says the developer and the city contacted the agency after the massive sheet of glass came tumbling down, possibly because of an issue with a suction cup.

Area residents are concerned that someone could have been killed by the massive piece of glass.

Freeman says someone called Tuesday to complain about safety issues at the site and that the information is being investigated.

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Want Big Brother to watch you? Now's your chance

Reality TV hopefuls wait in line for the Big Brother 11 auditions inside Wembley Arena in 2010 in London, England. IAN GAVAN/GETTY IMAGES

Auditions. National casting tour for inaugural season makes first stop in Vancouver

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Ever wondered what it's like to be under the watchful eyes of Big Brother?

The national casting tour for the inaugural season of Big Brother Canada is making its first stop in Vancouver Sunday at the Vancouver Convention Centre, then will continue its way to Calgary, Halifax, Montreal and Toronto.

The show is looking for 14 "house guests" who will live in the Big Brother house in a secret location within the Greater Toronto Area, outfitted wall to wall with cameras and microphones capturing their every move.

"There isn't a perfect house guest for this show," said producer Erin Brock. "We want a little bit of everything. We're looking for people who have an opinion, who are willing to fight for what they believe in.

"We're looking for extroverts, for people who want to fall in love, for anything and everything," she added.

Brock is confident the Canadian version will see the same success as its U.S. counterpart.

"I think Canadians are going to be fascinated to see how Canadians do in the game and in the house," she said. "I'm positive it's going to be a hit."

Big Brother Canada auditions take place at the Vancouver Convention Centre Sunday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Making scents of chaos

Afghan agriculture. You've heard about the Jasmine Revolution — here's one that started with orange blossoms

KIERON MONKS
Metro World News

Can perfume rebuild a shattered country? Barbara Stegemann says yes. The Canadian entrepreneur has given international development a chic twist, buying fair-trade herbs from crisis-hit nations to create her perfume line, The 7 Virtues.

The mission began in Afghanistan. After a soldier friend was wounded, Stegemann wanted to prove that economic empowerment could undermine the country's heroin economy and the Taliban that controls it. The path led to Jalalabad, a city famous for its orange blossoms, and a struggling supplier.

"He was about to give up," Stegemann recalls. "It was a financial risk but I wanted to show that another way is possible." She invested $2,000 and, in 2010, launched her Afghanistan Orange Blossom fragrance. The first batch sold out and she soon secured financing through the hit TV show Dragon's Den.

The investment allowed her supplier to develop his business and take on more staff. In turn, this brought new investment in traditional Afghan products.

Initiatives such as Stegemann's can have a profound impact on Afghan women and children, development workers say. CONTRIBUTED/YOUSAF SALI

"This type of foreign involvement has made a positive change for the crafts," says Waheed Khalili, director of the Turquoise Mountain Institute for Afghan Arts and Architecture. In three years, employment has grown 70% in the industry, he says.

Development NGOs believe such projects can have a lasting impact. "Giving ordinary Afghans the chance to find stable, legal work allows them to plan for the future, to improve their lives and that of their children," says Fernando Soares, deputy executive director of Mercy Corps. "This helps lay the foundations for a peaceful and productive Afghanistan."

The 7 Virtues has also made female empowerment an issue. Stegemann's suppliers are leading employers of women, and the profits have helped to expand schools for girls. Stegemann wants to see more female influence at home, too, and sees her perfume as a route into politics.

The scents are becoming more ambitious. The latest blends Israeli and Iranian ingredients for an anti-war protest. Stegemann is also lobbying Israeli politicians to help her establish a Palestinian distillery. But the causes are too important for politicians alone. "Citizens have to take action," she says. "If you stay the course, you will see results."

Petal power

"We don't often have a way to touch peace, yet we own voting and buying power."

Barbara Stegemann, founder of The 7 Virtues Beauty Inc., on female empowerment through local development

Looking into the future: Jalalabad-based distiller Abdullah Arsala says he believes perfume-making will expand as a positive business in war-torn Afghanistan. CONTRIBUTED/ABDULLAH ARSALA

Conflict. Perfume of peace

Stegemann is not the first to create a scent with a message. French perfume maker Francois Coty used his cosmetics empire to launch a fascist party before the Second World War, and became a hugely influential political figure.

More recently, Israeli-German photographer Daniel Josefsohn created the "MoslBuddJewChristHinDao" fragrance in an effort to promote religious tolerance, later shortened to the easier "Unifaith."

With the U.S. election campaign in full swing, the perfumers at Bliss have made it an "eau-lection" with scents for both candidates. Supporters can show their colours by choosing between "Mint Romney" and Orange "O'bama."

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Jews and Muslims alike can enjoy a whiff of "Unifaith." CONTRIBUTED/DANIEL JOSEFSOHN

Q&A

'The potential is huge'

Roses have been cultivated for centuries in Afghanistan. CONTRIBUTED/YOUSAF SAFI

What is the tradition of Afghan perfume?
The first rose was distilled here and the oil has been used in Islamic medicine for centuries. The Jalalabad region was known for its gardens full of flowers and native plants, and the culture of making compounds from them.

How difficult is it for farmers to switch to perfume from poppy?
It's not easy to convince them because the poppy is quick and has more value. But the rose flowers here are the next best and the government has given subsidies for the first three years for farmers who switch, because that is how long it takes for them to bloom. If there is a group of farmers who switch together, the Taliban cannot fight them.

What is the future for your business?
Industrialized distillation is still new here and we have problems with energy and electricity. But the potential is huge and now we know the market will expand and employ more people.

ABDULLAH ARSALA
Perfume distiller in Jalalabad

Senator's wife pleads guilty in airplane flap

Maygan Sensenberger and Manitoba Senator Rod Zimmer entered a new chapter in their marriage on Thursday — probation.

Sensenberger, 23, appeared in a Saskatoon courthouse on Thursday morning and pleaded guilty to causing a disturbance. She was given a 12-month suspended sentence and probation.

A second charge of uttering threats was withdrawn.

Sensenberger made headlines across the country in late August after her arrest for causing a disturbance on a flight to Saskatoon from Ottawa, just days before the couple's anniversary.

She and Zimmer, 69, have been married for one year.

Crown lawyers told the court that witnesses aboard the aircraft heard Sensenberger allegedly threatening to slit her husband's throat.

Her lawyer, Leslie Sullivan, said her client was happy to put the ordeal behind her.

"My client is extremely relieved this matter is over," Sullivan said. "She has been anxious to get this concluded and she just wants to return to her home and get back on with her life."

Asked if she was pleased with the sentencing, Sullivan said, "I'm very pleased the charge was withdrawn — as it should have been ... We wanted to deal with it expeditiously and that's what we did."

The court was told that Sensenberger was drinking at the time of the argument, and provincial judge Marilyn Gray said she felt if alcohol hadn't been involved, it would have been a different situation. She noted that a person's good judgment sometimes goes "out the window" when alcohol is involved.

Although there was no mandatory treatment as part of the sentence, Sensenberger could have to undergo addictions assessment, treatment or counselling if they are recommended by her probation officer.

MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO IN SASKATOON

Maygan Sensenberger and her husband, Sen. Rod Zimmer, leave the Saskatoon provincial courthouse on Thursday. MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO

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War-zone birth comes as surprise to servicewoman

Baby conceived before tour of duty. British soldier stationed in Afghanistan unlikely to face censure

Hours after a British soldier in Afghanistan told medics she was suffering from stomach pains, the Royal Artillery gunner unexpectedly gave birth to a boy — the first child ever born in combat to a member of Britain's armed forces.

Britain's defence ministry said Thursday the soldier told authorities she had not been aware she was pregnant and only consulted doctors on the day that she went into labour.

The soldier, who arrived in Afghanistan in March, delivered the child Tuesday at Camp Bastion, the vast desert camp in southern Afghanistan's Helmand province where Prince Harry is deployed and a Taliban attack last week killed two U.S. Marines.

"Mother and baby are both in a stable condition in the hospital and are receiving the best possible care," the ministry said in a statement. It said a team of doctors would fly out to Afghanistan in the coming days to help the soldier and her son return safely to Britain.

The U.K. does not allow female soldiers to deploy on operation if they are pregnant. Although the soldier's child was conceived before her tour of duty began in March, she is not likely to face censure.

Britain has previously sent female soldiers home from wars after they have fallen pregnant — including about 60 from Afghanistan, but hasn't previously had a servicewoman go into labour in a war zone.

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Giving pregnant pause

- Maj. Charles Heyman, a retired officer and author of The British Army Guide said the unexpected birth would cause some concern at the base.
- "This sort of thing makes life difficult for everyone else, but the important thing is the welfare of the female soldier. This could have gone wrong and we don't know if the attack on Camp Bastion might have forced the birth," said Heyman.
- Heyman said it may have been "that the excitement of the tour masked the symptoms of the pregnancy."

Troop names foundling Pola

In this picture made available by the Operations Command of Poland's Defense Ministry in Warsaw on Thursday, a newborn baby girl which Polish soldiers found on Wednesday abandoned on the road of an armoured patrol in southern Afghanistan receives attention in Waghez, Afghanistan. Named Pola — for Poland — by the troops, the baby girl has been examined by military doctors and was to be handed over to Afghan pediatricians and authorities.

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Paris

Islamic arts take wing at Louvre

The Louvre Museum is unveiling a new wing and galleries dedicated to the arts of Islam, culminating a nearly $130-million, decade-long project coming to fruition amid tensions between the Muslim world and the West.

The new dragonfly-shaped building marks the famed Paris museum's greatest development since its iconic glass pyramid constructed 20 years ago. The Department of Islamic Art will exhibit much of the Louvre's 18,000 works, hoping also to foster cultural understanding.

The wing, with its mission of heightening cross-cultural understanding, is opening at a tense — and perhaps opportune — time.

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A woman examines a ceramic tile wall at the Louvre Museum. REMY DE LA MAUVINIERE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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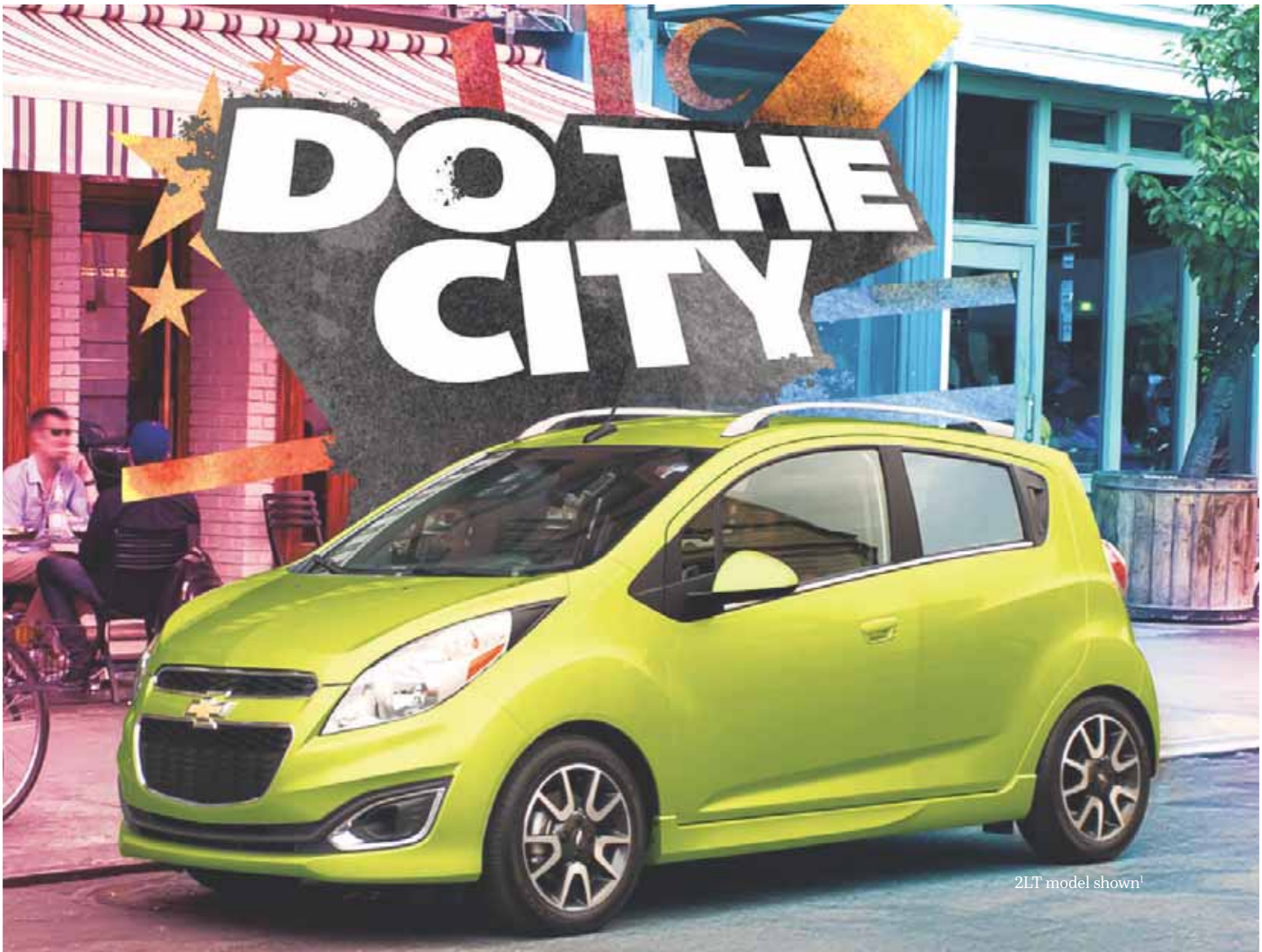

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American war resister turns herself over to U.S. authorities

Seeking refuge. Soldier living in Toronto came to Canada in 2007 to avoid service

An American soldier who sought refuge in Canada after she grew disillusioned with the Iraq war has turned herself over to the United States.

The War Resisters Support Campaign says Kimberly Rivera was immediately arrested, detained and transferred to U.S. military custody after presenting herself at the border.

The group says Rivera is now waiting to be transferred to a different military facility where she faces punishment for being absent from her unit. It also says Rivera's husband and her four children crossed the border separately so the youngsters wouldn't have to see their mother being detained.

The secretary to Immigration Minister Jason Kenney has confirmed the deportation and says the Harper government doesn't believe Rivera will be persecuted in the U.S.

Rivera, who lived in Toronto with her family, came to Canada in 2007 to avoid further U.S. military service.

Ken Marciniec of the War Resisters Support Campaign says two other Iraq war resisters who were deported in the past faced year-long jail sentences for desertion.

Rivera told reporters last month that her biggest fear about being deported was being separated from her young children, and having to sit in a prison, for being against the Iraqi conflict. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Petition

Roughly 19,000 people signed an online petition protesting her deportation order and rallies were held in Canadian cities Wednesday calling on the government to let Rivera stay in the country.

Several people hoisting placards and waving peace signs gather in Toronto on Wednesday for an 11th-hour protest against the planned deportation of U.S. war resister Kimberly Rivera. Rivera turned herself over to U.S. authorities on Thursday. LUC RINALDI/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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PQ 'bothered' by accused shooter's media access

The Quebec government is examining how accused killer Richard Henry Bain was able to speak to the media from a detention centre.

The new public-security minister of the Parti Québécois says he's bothered that the man accused of shooting two people at a PQ victory rally on election night had access to a radio audience.

Bain called a Montreal station on Wednesday and small snippets of a 38-minute interview were aired on English- and French-language stations of the Astral Radio network.

The accused shooter reportedly told the network he'd had a vision from God that Montreal should become its own province and separate from Quebec. He did not want to talk about events on election night — just about his political views.

On his way into Thursday's cabinet meeting, Public Security Minister Stephane Bergeron said he will investigate whether a prisoner should have access to a phone in order to transmit messages through the mass media.

"It seems worrisome to me," Bergeron said. "I'll look into it and get back to you.

"The question is whether a prisoner should have access to that type of platform to express himself in the public arena."

Radio station CJAD said Bain called from the infirmary of his Montreal detention centre. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Pussy Riot. Band member's husband seeking U.S. human-rights sanctions

The husband of one of the imprisoned members of Russian punk rock band Pussy Riot wants U.S. sanctions against Russian officials involved in prosecuting the musicians.

Petya Verzilov was meeting on Thursday with U.S. lawmakers and aides involved in drafting legislation that would target Russian officials linked to human-rights abuses. Verzilov is married to band member Nadia Tolokonnikova.

The band members were sentenced in August to two years in prison for performing an irreverent song mocking Russian President Vladimir Putin inside Moscow's main cathedral.

Verzilov hopes the legislation could be used to pressure Russian officials to release his wife and others.

"They are greatly afraid of having their bank accounts shut off," he said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Lawsuit

Pastor seeks to preach after dark

A street preacher sued Thursday to block a New Orleans ordinance that restricts religious or political speech on Bourbon Street after dark.

In his federal lawsuit, pastor Paul Gros claimed the city's "aggressive solicitation" ordinance sets unconstitutional limits on free speech.

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A group of Amish walk to the courthouse in Cleveland on Thursday for the hate-crimes trial. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Amish convicted of hate crimes in brutal hair attacks

Cut off. Religious dispute pitted children against parents; attacks terrorized the normally peaceful settlements

Sixteen Amish men and women were convicted Thursday of hate crimes including forcibly cutting off fellow sect members' beards and hair in a religious dispute that offered a rare and sometimes lurid glimpse into the closed and usually self-regulating community of believers.

A federal jury found Samuel Mullet Sr. guilty of orchestrating the cutting of Amish men's beards and women's hair last fall. His followers were found guilty of carrying out the attacks.

Prosecutors and witnesses described how sons pulled their father out of bed and chopped off his beard in the moonlight and how women surrounded their mother-in-law and cut off 2/3 metres of hair, taking it to the scalp.

All the defendants are members of Mullet's settlement near the West Virginia panhandle. Prosecutors say the defendants targeted hair because it carries spiritual significance.

One bishop told jurors his chest-length beard was chopped to 3.8 centimetres of his chin.

In another attack, a woman testified that her own sons and a daughter cut her hair and her husband's beard.

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Mastermind

Samuel Mullet Sr. wasn't accused of cutting anyone's hair. But prosecutors said he planned and encouraged his sons and the others, mocked the victims in jailhouse phone calls and was given a paper bag stuffed with the hair of one victim.

Zion National Park

Climber dies making a rappel in 'the Subway'

A 74-year-old man was found dead after spending a night hanging upside down on his climbing ropes at Utah's Zion National Park, park superintendent Jock Whitworth said Thursday.

The climber was making a rappel in the Subway, a popular and demanding canyoneering route about 400 km south of Salt Lake City. His partner was not able to free the man, who was found hanging from a drop-off.

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James Holmes. Batman massacre suspect smiles, but stays quiet in court

The suspect in the U.S. theatre rampage June 20 that killed 12 people in one of the worst mass shootings in the country's history smiled and glanced around the courtroom Thursday, a marked difference from his dazed appearances in the past. The shocking orange hair was gone, but he remained silent.

Prosecutors gave up their fight to see a notebook sent by suspect James Holmes to a psychiatrist. They didn't want to delay the proceedings.

Defence attorneys have said Holmes is mentally ill and that the notebook, sent to Dr. Lynne Fenton, shouldn't be released because of doctor-patient privilege.

Fenton last saw Holmes professionally on June 11 before seeing him again in court on Aug. 30.

Prosecutors argued that the notebook is fair game, saying Holmes planned to be dead or in prison after the shooting rampage and had no plans to undergo therapy.

Fifty-eight people were wounded as the gunman roamed the darkened theatre.

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Visit by UN officials stirs large protest led by Buddhist monks

Sri Lanka. Flocks of protesters complain country is being unfairly criticized for poor human-rights record

Hundreds of Sri Lankans protested Thursday against a visit by UN officials to discuss human-rights issues during the country's civil war.

Monks led about 300 protesters from the Buddhist nationalist National Heritage Party during the demonstration opposite a local UN office. They complained Sri Lanka is being unfairly criticized for a poor human-rights record as the war was ending in 2009.

They alleged the visit was a step toward subjecting Sri Lanka to an international war-crimes investigation.

Three representatives from the UN human-rights commission have met Sri Lankan officials and ethnic Tamil politicians and seen areas ravaged by war on their visit.

A UN report found evidence the government and Tamil Tiger rebels committed rights violations during the war. It said tens of thousands of civilians may have been killed in the final stages of the fighting, though there are no clear estimates available.

The UN Human Rights Council adopted a resolution earlier this year urging Sri Lanka to investigate alleged war crimes committed by both sides. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sri Lankan monks participate in a protest outside the United Nations office in Colombo, Sri Lanka, on Thursday. CHAMILA KARUNARATHNEIT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Fashion shoot. Photo exhibit with nuns, graves causes protest by Polish

Poland protested a Ukrainian photo exhibition Thursday, featuring models dressed as Catholic nuns posing next to the graves of Polish soldiers — an incident that threatened to upset close ties between the two neighbours as Kyiv relies on Warsaw's help in its push to integrate closer with the European Union.

The protest came during a visit by Polish President Bronislaw Komorowski, who is pressing Ukraine to commit to European democratic and human-rights standards if it wants to join the European club.

On Friday, Komorowski and Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovych are to unveil a memorial outside Kyiv to thousands of Polish officers killed by Josef Stalin's secret police at the start of the Second World War.

The photographs, taken by a Ukrainian fashion magazine and displayed at a museum last week, showed the women striking provocative poses next to a bare-chested young man and against the backdrop of crosses at a cemetery in the western city of Lviv. The graves are of Polish soldiers who died when Poles and Ukrainians battled for control over Lviv in the wake of the First World War.

Poland's Foreign Ministry said Thursday that its diplomats in Lviv protested "the impropriety of the exhibition, which could hurt feelings and provoke controversy" and were able to get the exhibit closed.

"It was horrible, it insults the memory of soldiers, of the state, of everyone," said Emil Legovich, a leader of the Polish community in Lviv. He speculated that the exhibit was organized by certain "political forces" in order to sabotage Polish-Ukrainian relations ahead of Ukraine's hotly contested parliamentary election next month. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Philippines

1,000-year-old village unearthed

Archaeologists have unearthed remnants of what they believe is a 1,000-year-old village on a jungle-covered mountaintop in the Philippines with limestone coffins of a type never before found in this Southeast Asian nation, officials said Thursday. National Museum official Eusebio Dizon said the village on Mount Kamhantik, near Mulanay town in Quezon province, could be at least 1,000 years old based on U.S. carbon-dating tests done on a human tooth found in one of 15 limestone graves he and other archaeologists have dug out since last year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Washington

U.S. gears up to sell eight Apache helicopters to Indonesia

The United States is planning to sell eight AH-64/D Apache helicopters to Indonesia.

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton says the sale will strengthen the U.S.-Indonesian partnership and improve efforts to maintain security in Southeast Asia.

Clinton made the announcement after meetings with Indonesian Foreign Minister Marty Natalegawa at the State Department.

She said she notified Congress of the deal Thursday.

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Birth control. Implants, IUDs urged for teen girls

Teenage girls may prefer the pill, the patch or even wishful thinking, but their doctors should be recommending IUDs or hormonal implants — long-lasting and more effective birth control that you don't have to remember to use every time, the leading U.S. gynecologists' group said Thursday.

The IUD and implants are safe and nearly 100 per cent effective at preventing pregnancy, and should be "first-line recommendations," the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists said in updating its guidance for teens.

Both types of contraception are more invasive than the pill, requiring a doctor to put them in place. That, and cost, are probably why the pill is still the most popular form of contraception in the U.S.

But birth-control pills often must be taken at the very same time every day to be most potent. And forgetting to take even one can lead to pregnancy, which is why the pill is sometimes only 91 per cent effective. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Need-to-know

- An IUD is a small piece of plastic inserted in the uterus that can prevent pregnancy for up to 10 years. An implant is a matchstick-size plastic rod that releases hormones. It is placed under the skin of the upper arm and usually lasts three years.

Quebec

Alleged getaway driver nabbed in theft of poker champ

Police have arrested a 21-year-old Gatineau, Que., man suspected of being a getaway driver in an armed robbery of a Quebec poker champion.

Police say two men forced their way into Jonathan Duhamel's Boucherville, Que., home on Dec. 21, 2011, where they beat him and stole more than $100,000 and jewelry.

Duhamel became famous after winning the 2010 World Series of Poker in Las Vegas, taking home $8.9 million US.

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PQ makes good on vow to scrap tuition-fee increase

Quebec. Decision comes after 'Maple Spring' that saw student protests erupt across province

The tuition increase that triggered such social strife in Quebec was cancelled Thursday during an action-packed first full day in office for the Parti Québécois government.

The new government repealed the fee hike, by decree, in its first cabinet meeting less than 24 hours after coming to power.

Student leaders cheered the news.

Premier Pauline Marois has acted on a promise that she had made during the election campaign. She announced the decision at a news conference after the cabinet meeting.

Marois said tuition will go back to $2,168 — the lowest in Canada. With the planned increases, it would have been $600 higher this year and would have kept growing each year.

Marois said she will not decrease funding for universities and will make good on a promise to hold a summit on how to fund universities within her first 100 days as premier.

The government policy entering that meeting will be to suggest indexing future fee increases to the rate of inflation.

That would raise tuition by a rate of around one to three per cent most years — compared with the 84 per cent increase over seven years planned by the previous Charest government.

But Marois' inflation-index policy is not set in stone. Some students are pushing for zero tuition, as exists in some other countries. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Student leader Martine Desjardins, left, responds to reporters' questions at a news conference on Thursday in Quebec City. Desjardins applauded the news the Parti Québécois is scrapping the province's contentious tuition increase.
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Quoted

"Together we've written a chapter in the history of Quebec. It's a triumph of justice and equity."

Martine Desjardins, head of the Federation des Étudiants Universitaires du Québec student association

Edmonton. Girl allegedly abused by parents dies when taken off life support

A two-year-old Edmonton girl allegedly abused by her parents has died after the Supreme Court of Canada rejected a request to keep her on life support.

A source confirmed to The Canadian Press that the toddler died Thursday night at the Stollery Children's Hospital after being removed from a ventilator that was keeping her alive.

Lawyers for the child's parents applied to the Supreme Court Thursday morning for an emergency stay of an Alberta Court of Appeal ruling that allowed doctors to remove the girl from life support.

The lawyers wanted time to file an application for the court to hear an appeal. But a panel of three Supreme Court justices rejected the stay, ending further legal wrangling.

Doctors testified that the girl, known in documents only as M, would not live long after being removed from the machine.

Court has heard the girl, who had been in a coma for three months, had an irreversible brain injury and would never regain consciousness.

M was found malnourished and suffering from injuries in an Edmonton home on May 25. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Charges

- The parents, who cannot be named, have been charged with aggravated assault, criminal negligence causing bodily harm and failing to provide the necessities of life. Now that the girl has died, police say charges likely will be upgraded.

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Air Canada prepares for hiring spree

1,100 jobs available. Positions include flight attendants, customer service agents and baggage handlers

Air Canada says it will hire about 1,100 employees across a number of fields, including 200 at its new low-cost carrier.

The airline said Thursday the jobs are part of its strategy to "seize new commercial opportunities, enhance customer service and renew our workforce."

Air Canada says it will hire about 400 flight attendants and some 500 airport customer service agents and baggage handlers. Sixty customer service agents will be hired for call centres in Montreal and Toronto.

"This recruitment program is consistent with our focus on controlling costs to become more competitive in our various markets," said president and CEO Calin Rovinescu. "At a time when youth unemployment is nearly 15 per cent in Canada, we are pleased to offer exciting career opportunities that will especially appeal to young people."

The company cited attrition as one of the main drivers behind the hiring of customer service agents and flight attendants. In addition to the hires at the main airline, the company will hire about 150 flight attendants and 50 pilots for its low-cost airline, slated to launch in 2013.

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Job postings

- Air Canada says information on the job postings can be found at aircanada.com/careers, adding that applications can be filled out online.

Catering to global gamers

A visitor demonstrates Sony's head-mounted display HMZ personal 3D viewer, which provides a 3-D theatre of music videos, movies and games, at the Tokyo Game Show on Thursday. As smartphones, tablets and other computer-like devices lure people away from the once-dominant consoles devoted to video games, one show participant predicted emerging nations will make up 80 to 90 per cent of the game market in a decade. Yoshikazu Tanaka, founder of rapidly growing Gree Inc. — which has risen to stardom through social games, often played on smartphones — said while game consoles will not catch on in some developing nations, people there do have mobile phones, presenting opportunities for Gree. KOJI SASAHARA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Labour negotiations

CAW reaches deal with GM

The Canadian Auto Workers said Thursday evening that it has reached a tentative agreement with General Motors. The CAW had warned earlier in the day that it was prepared to issue a strike notice at GM if talks didn't progress.

The union reached a deal with Ford earlier this week. It is still in talks with Chrysler, but said Thursday it is making some progress and that the company seems more willing than it was to reach an agreement.

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Market Minute

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Retail. Reitmans says it can withstand Target's arrival north of border

Women's clothing retailer Reitmans says it's not worried about Target coming to Canada. Chief executive Jeremy Reitman says they've withstood increased competition from U.S. companies before, pointing to Wal-Mart and The Gap.

Reitman says industry observers have previously predicted increased competition would cause the demise of Canada's largest publicly traded apparel company.

But he says Reitmans has done well as the popular U.S. chains have driven traffic to malls and big box outlets where its retail network operates.

Reitman told a CIBC investor conference in Montreal that "we thank God for Wal-Mart."

He adds many of its various retail store brands are located in the same shopping areas. Target will replace Zellers stores, which Reitmans said doesn't generate much traffic.

Like many apparel companies, Reitmans has faced the challenges of a tough economic environment and higher fuel and food prices that reduce discretionary spending on non-essential items.

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By the numbers

925

Reitmans has 925 stores in Canada, under the Reitmans, Smart Set, RW & CO., Thyme Maternity, Penningtons and Addition Elle banners.

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THE LIST
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It's time again for the Metro List, your one-stop shop for conversational tidbits that make you the coolest cat around the cooler.

1 **Hockey Night in Canada — NOT.** The billionaire owners have locked out the millionaire players, cancelled the pre-season and could cancel the entire season. The rest of us may have to turn to football or soccer … or get a life.

2 **The topless Duchess.** Variation on that Hans Christian Andersen tale The Emperor's New Clothes. Only in this remake the paparazzi invade the Duchess of Cambridge's privacy and her husband the Duke is not even a little amused.

3 **Cross-border crossover.** Top U.S. retailer Nordstrom brings its shopping experience to Canada, announcing stores in Vancouver, Calgary, Toronto and Montreal. Hopefully, the Competition Bureau won't make the chain lower the quality of its service and jack up the prices so Canadian retailers can compete.

4 **As of Friday, your device is obsolete.** Apple starts selling the iPhone 5 in Canada on Friday. For $699 you get a phone that's half an inch longer. Doesn't seem like much, but don't tell the two million people who pre-ordered it in the U.S. I guess size still matters.

5 **Speaking of size.** As of this week, the mayor of N.Y.C. bans any big sugary drink over 16 ounces. Big Gulp banned in the Big Apple, and it's not even Boston. Start spreadin' the news.

6 **Then there's Tupelo Honey.** Turns out Mississippi is the fattest place in North America, with 34.9 per cent of its citizens considered obese. That's nuthin'. By 2030, after another 18 years of BBQ, 66.7 per cent of adults in the Hospitality State will be obese. I wouldn't get too smug; an estimated 1.6 million Canadian kids are overweight, and the Big Gulp is still freely available on any street corner.

7 **This kid's not all right.** Consider the case of Maygan Sensenberger, the wife of Sen. Rod Zimmer. She's 23, barely an adult; he's 69, barely sentient. At least, you have to wonder why else he'd marry someone 46 years his junior. Whatever, the honeymoon's over: Thursday, she pleaded guilty to causing a disturbance last month on a Saskatoon-bound flight, while a charge of threatening her husband was withdrawn. Maybe she wanted to go to Miami.

8 **Voyager has left the building.** In fact, Voyager 1, which was launched from Cape Canaveral 35 years ago, has left the whole damn solar system, the first human-made device to go into deep space, where no one has gone before. Literally. If aliens ever do intercept the Voyager and listen to the music included on board, they'll have to try to figure out a species that listens to Mozart, Stravinsky … and Blind Willie Johnson.

Mississippi gets an F for fat. The state is the most obese place in North America. GETTY IMAGES

Look who came for dinner!

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Public-art installation

Whole new world for Columbus

A renowned statue of Christopher Columbus in New York City has its own apartment after it was erected on scaffolding in an art installation by Japanese artist Tatzu Nishi.

The 75-square-metre "living room," complete with sofa, television and coffee table, has been temporarily built around the monument. METRO

Artist's viewpoint

"Obviously, until now, he was up there by himself, alone. So we want to change it into something really homey, warm, domestic-feeling."

Japanese conceptual artist Tatzu Nishi
For 15 years, Nishi has been installing domestic environments around public monuments.

Artwork in detail

- **Meaning.** "A big point of my work is to change this high level (of the statue) to the same level and you see the sculpture really differently," Nishi told reporters.
- **It's upstairs.** Installation is accessible via a staircase.
- **No more feathers.** "After 120 years with only pigeons for company, Columbus is finally getting a taste of the American dream," Public Art Fund's director Nicholas Baume said.

Metropolitan Panel

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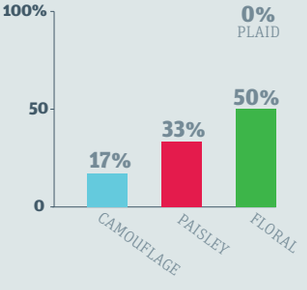
New York fashion week was all about prints. What will be your spring staple?



Twitter

@BrentToderian: "When do we have too many bike-lanes?" Kind of like asking "when do we have too many sidewalks?" Need new perspective on multi-modal cities.

@Scott_Ian: Vancouver, after we're through with you tonight your pretty city will be like the fighter in Raging Bull that LaMotta brutalizes because...

@JMartesano: Moving to Vancouver has made me realize that when it comes to friends, I'd rather have 4 quarters then 100 pennies. Love my #pegcity bff's

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Jake Gyllenhaal stars in End of Watch. HANDOUT

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Make sure you pack Gravol for this 'watch'

Hand-held action. End of Watch pays homage to gritty crime dramas, but the shaky camera work gives it an artificial feel

Richard: Mark, End of Watch is all build up. The movie spends an hour-and-a-half introducing its characters, giving us a slice of LAPD life before topping it off with an exciting conclusion. I could have used less Barf-O-Matic hand-held camera work — sometimes it's hard to tell what's happening — but overall I thought this movie worked because of the naturalistic performances and the climax. You?

Mark: And what performances! Both Jake Gyllenhaal and Michael Peña are first-rate, their naturalistic style perfectly matching the you-are-there hand-held camera work. But I also thought the dialogue was far superior to most police thrillers. There's no plot, really — it's a series of episodes in the lives of two LAPD officers, which at times seemed reminiscent of the old TV series Adam 12. But there are things that are shown in this movie that would never have happened in the more benign TV show.

RC: It's true. It took me a while to warm to the episodic nature of the "story." I found the first half-hour stagey. The having-the-character-film-part-of-the-movie thing has been done to death, and I thought added a level of artificiality that didn't need to be there. Take that out and no one would miss it. But once I allowed myself to be drawn into the performances and the chemistry of the leads, I was sucked in. I thought the female characters were given more to do than usual in a cop drama, but just barely. Anna Kendrick is so talented, I would have liked to seen her given more to do.

MB: Kendrick barely registered for me; the woman who did was the Hispanic gang leader's significant other. Scary! As far as the ending goes, I thought it was a well-handled climax, but I can't say I didn't see it coming. It's the coda after the climax I thought was unnecessary. It tried to add poignancy to a movie that was thankfully unsentimental throughout.

RC: I agree. It's hard to discuss the end without being spoilerific, but let's say the movie goes from jovial to gritty and then back to jovial again. I didn't love it, but Hollywood seems to be allergic to tragic endings.

MB: Felt like a studio decision and a focus group to me, Richard. But I enjoyed the film anyway. Just remember that much of it is shot shaky style, so sit at the back of the theatre and bring your Gravol!

Synopsis

Jake Gyllenhaal and Michael Peña play officers Taylor and Zavala, patrol cops in Los Angeles's tough South Central neighbourhood. A routine traffic stop turns into something bigger when they confiscate money and guns from a cartel member. "Be careful," they're warned by a senior officer, "You just tugged on the tail of a snake that's going to turn around and bite you."

- Richard: ●●●○○
- Mark: ●●●○○

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On the web

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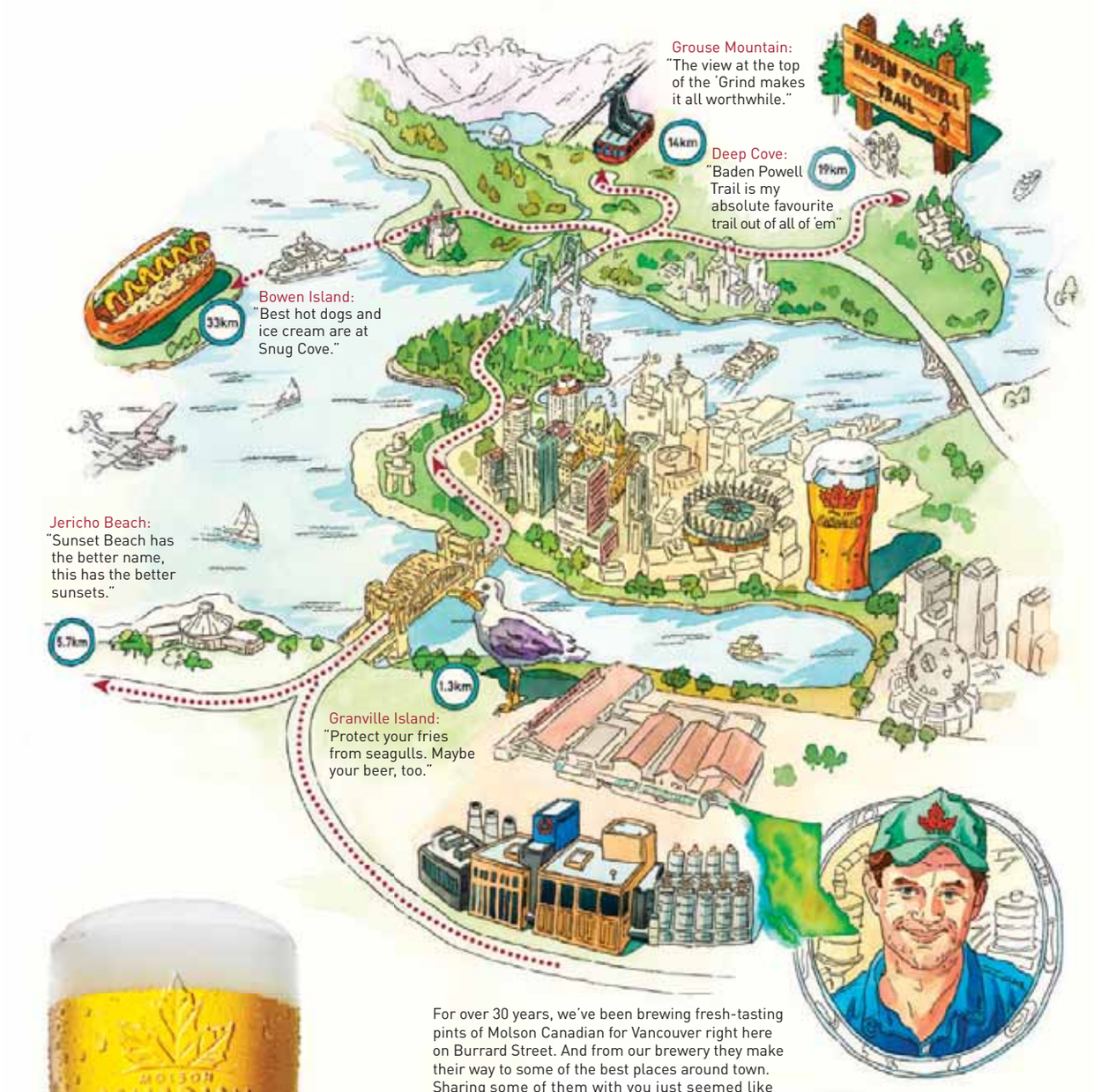
James Burrows, the director with the golden touch, charms his latest sitcom, Partners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Comedy

Roller Town

Director. Andrew Bush

Stars. Mark Little, Kayla Lorette

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Slap-sticked together by Halifax comedy troupe Picnicface, Roller Town is the little indie comedy that could. Not only was it made on a skate-string budget, but the gang decided to spoof the arcane fad of '70s roller-rink films (remember Xanadu?). With plenty of silly gags whirling around a bare plot about a skate king who seeks justice against mobsters trying to kill disco, Roller Town stands out — even if it does lose its wheels by the end.

STEVE GOW

Action

Dredd 3D

Director. Pete Travis

Stars. Karl Urban, Olivia Thirlby, Lena Headey

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The hard-edged British future-shock comic book (previously adapted with Sly Stallone as a camp-fest in 1995) becomes a hard-core feature courtesy of writer Alex Garland (28 Days Later) and director Pete Travis. Dredd 3D is not for the faint of heart, filled as it is with endless skinning, stabbing, shooting and head crushing all rendered in some beautifully designed 3D sequences. Spare on dialogue, long on style, pulsing music and violence, Dredd 3D is a gift to serious sci-fi action movie fans.

CHRIS ALEXANDER

Drama

Trouble with the Curve

Director. Robert Lorenz

Stars. Clint Eastwood, Amy Adams

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Trouble with the Curve is no Moneyball. If anything, it's the antithesis to the acclaimed biopic about using science to shape ball teams. In this, Clint Eastwood is an expired scout that, despite failing eyes and curmudgeonly demeanor, picks players the old-fashioned way — on personality. Too bad there wasn't more personality in the film itself as text-book characters and routine plotting leaves Curve with a sub-par batting average.

STEVE GOW

Horror

House at the End of the Street

Director. Mark Tonderai

Stars. Jennifer Lawrence, Elizabeth Shue, Max Thieriot

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House at the End of the Street is notable as actress Jennifer Lawrence's first big screen appearance since her turn in The Hunger Games. Marketed as a supernatural spook show for kids, the film is actually a rock solid, dark and suspenseful thriller armed with further evidence of just how good an actress Lawrence is becoming. Although saddled with a youth friendly PG-13 rating and light on anything visceral, House is actually ample frightening and even disturbing.

CHRIS ALEXANDER

Thriller

Inescapable

Director. Ruba Nadda

Stars. Alexander Siddig, Joshua Jackson, Marisa Tomei

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Canadian filmmaker Ruba Nadda wowed with romantic drama Cairo Time. Second time out, actors Alexander Siddig seems to be the only vestige left from that film's languid style. Inescapable casts Siddig as a Syrian political dissident forced to return to his abandoned homeland after his daughter goes missing while digging through her father's shady past. Inescapable is a thriller that doesn't thrill. Rooting for the safe return of Siddig's daughter is less an investment in the film and more an act of self-preservation from boredom.

IAN GORMELY

Quoted

"We did five months of ride-a-longs, two to three nights a week. ... What's behind the badge is a real human being and the relationships they have. Like in this movie, what these two characters have is incredibly special."

Jake Gyllenhaal on research he did for his role as a police officer in the new film End of Watch.

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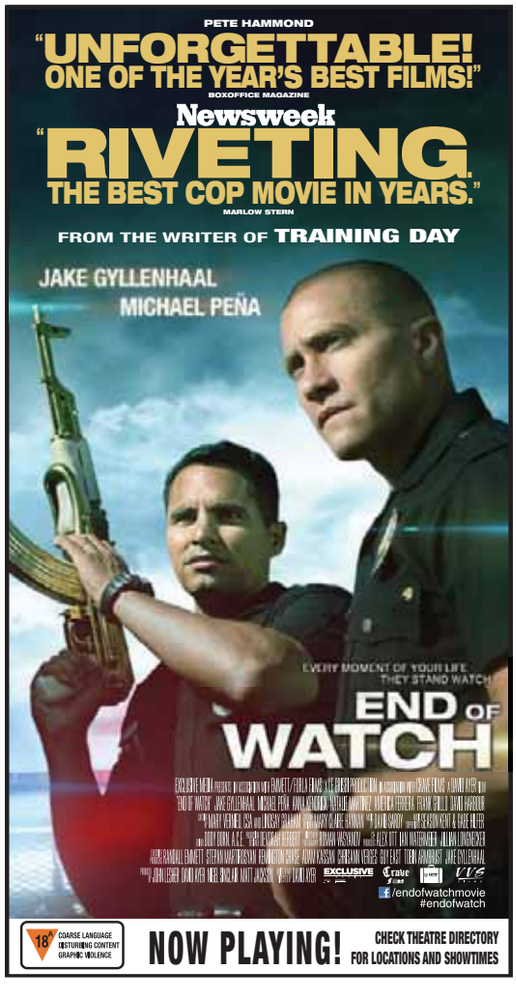
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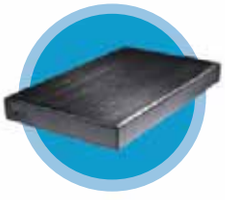
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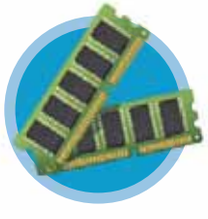
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Selena Gomez sympathizes with Dracula's daughter

Growing pains. Young actress who voices character in Hotel Transylvania knows what it's like to have wanderlust

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Metro World News in Hollywood

Being Dracula's daughter can be a drag. That's the lesson Selena Gomez learned making Hotel Transylvania, in which she voices the 118-year-old perpetual teenager Mavis, living in the titular lodging with her overprotective father (voiced by Adam Sandler) and longing to see the world.

Despite her character's advanced age, Gomez didn't have too much trouble connecting with Mavis.

"I'm not 118, but it's fun for me to kind of grow up," she says.

"I want to be able to see places, too. I get to travel and I'm very lucky to get to go to the places that I go to, but I never actually have been to the places alone or with friends, and I've never had that, so I think I'm going through that a little bit, doing things on my own a little bit more and having a little bit of that freedom."

In that travel that she's already doing — for work, mostly — she sees her fair share of hotels herself, though they don't necessarily make much of an impression. "To be honest, I'm in places for, like, a day so I don't even know where I'm staying. My mom's more about spas, so I just kind of follow my mom," she says.

"We stay in different places all the time — fun ones, cool ones. I've stayed in haunted ones too, before. It was actually for my birthday, so this sounds a little weird, but I like getting scared. We were on tour and they had me stay in a hotel in Utah and it was haunted.

"Nothing happened, so I was a little bummed, but it was spooky being there."

Having gotten her start on the Disney Channel's Wizards of Waverly Place, Gomez clearly has a thing for the supernatural — even if the connection hadn't occurred to her before now.

"I didn't even think about that. I guess so," she says with a laugh.

Quoted

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Selena Gomez on identifying with her 118-year-old teen character in Hotel Transylvania

"With my show we were able to bring kids' imaginations to life a little bit. We were able to be invisible and fly and walk on walls, and that's stuff that every kid wishes they had the ability to do.

"We're able to kind of bring that alive a little bit, which is something we're doing with this movie as well. We're bringing all the characters from Frankenstein to Dracula to new characters like the daughter. It's just fun to kind of bring that to life."

And Gomez isn't so worried about bringing those characters — along with mummies and werewolves and other monsters — to a younger audiences. "People have kind of changed their perceptions of monsters within tons of movies that have come out, so in a way it's more fun for kids," she says. "And it's hard to scare kids now, it really is. Going to haunted houses, going to those things, watching those movies, it's hard to scare them."

Selena Gomez walks the red carpet at TIFF during the Hotel Transylvania premiere. GETTY IMAGES

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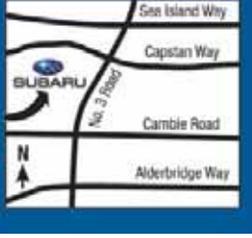

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Park & Tilford
333 Brooksbank Ave., 604-985-3911

The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (G) Fri 7:10-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:30-7:10-9:50 Mon-Tue 7:10-9:50 Wed 9:50 Thu 7:10-9:50
The Bourne Legacy (PG) Fri 7-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:15-4-7-9:50 Mon-Thu 7-9:50
Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days (G) Fri 7:20 Sat-Sun 2:20-4:40-7:20 Mon-Thu 7:20
House at the End of the Street (PG) Fri 7:30-10 Sat-Sun 2:30-5-7:30-10 Mon-Thu 7:30-10
ParaNorman (PG) Sat-Sun 2 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
ParaNorman 3D (STC) Fri 7:10-9:20 Sat-Sun 4:20-7:10-9:20 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:20
Premium Rush (14A) Fri-Thu 9:30
Resident Evil: Retribution 3D (14A) Fri 7:40-10 Sat-Sun 2:50-5:15-7:40-10 Mon-Thu 7:40-10

Richmond

SilverCity Riverport
14211 Entertainment Way, 604-272-7280

The Amazing Spider-Man (PG) Fri-Sun 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:15 Mon-Thu 2:50-7-10:05
Barfi! (G) Fri-Sun 12:45-4-7:15-10:30 Mon-Thu 2:15-6:10-9:45
The Bourne Legacy (PG) Fri-Sun 1:25-4:25-7:20-10:25 Mon-Thu 2:45-6:50-9:55
The Bullet Vanishes (14A) Fri 2:25-5-7:35-10:05 Sat 11:45-2:25-5-7:35-10:05 Sun-Wed 2:25-5-7:35-10:05 Thu 2:10-4:40-10:25
The Campaign (14A) Fri-Sun 3:50-6:05-8:20-10:35 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:10-9:50
The Dark Knight Rises (PG) Fri-Sun 2:45-6:40-10:15 Mon-Thu 2-5:30-9
Dredd 3D (18A) Fri-Sun 1-3:20-5:45-8:10-10:35 Mon-Thu 2:45-5:30-8:10-10:35
End of Watch (STC) Fri 2:15-4:55-7:40-10:20 Sat 11:35-2:15-4:55-7:40-10:20 Sun-Wed 2:15-4:55-7:40-10:20 Thu 2-4:30-7:45-10:20
The Expendables 2 (14A) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:05-5:30-8:05-10:40 Mon-Thu 2:15-5:10-8-10:30
Finding Nemo 3D (G) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:10-7:55-10:20 Mon-Thu 2:05-4:35-7:45-10:15 Fri 2:40-5:20 Sat-Sun 12:10-2:40-5:20 Mon-Thu 2:40-5:20
Heroine (STC) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:55-7:10-10:25 Mon-Thu 2:30-6:10-9:30
Hope Springs (PG) Fri-Sun 7-9:40 Mon-Thu 7:15-9:40
House at the End of the Street (PG) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:05-5:30 Mon-Thu 2:20-5:10 Fri-Thu 7:55-10:30
Ice Age: Continental Drift (G) Fri-Sun 1:10 Mon-Thu 2:05
Lawless (14A) Fri-Thu 2-4:45-7:25-10:10
Mrs. Doubtfire (STC) Sat 11
ParaNorman (PG) Fri-Sun 12:45 Mon-Wed 2:10 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
ParaNorman 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 3:05-5:25-7:45-10:05 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:20-9:45
The Possession (14A) Fri-Sun 1:15-3:35-5:55-8:15-10:35 Mon 2:10-4:30-10:20 Tue-Thu 2:30-5:15-7:45-10:20
Resident Evil: Retribution 3D (14A) Fri 2:20-4:45-7:30-10 Sat 12-2:20-4:45-7:30-10 Sun-Thu 2:20-4:45-7:30-10
Resident Evil:Retribution — An IMAX 3D Experience (14A) Fri-Sun 12:55-3:20-5:45-8:10-10:40 Mon-Thu 3:20-5:45-8:10-10:40
The Tempest (STC) Thu 7
Trouble With the Curve (PG) Fri-Wed 2-4:40-7:20-10 Thu 4:40-7:20-10 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1

Burnaby

Dolphin Cinemas
4555 E. Hastings St., 604-293-0332

The Odd Life of Timothy Green (G) Fri 6:45 Sat-Sun 2:30-6:45 Mon-Thu 6:45
ParaNorman (PG) Fri-Thu 4:45
Premium Rush (14A) Fri-Thu 9
Resident Evil: Retribution (14A) Fri 5-7:05-9:10 Sat-Sun 2:45-5-7:05-9:10 Mon-Thu 5-7:05-9:10

SilverCity Metropolis
4700 Kingsway Ave., 604-435-7474

The Bourne Legacy (PG) Fri-Thu 10:05
The Dark Knight Rises (PG) Fri-Sun 2:45-6:20-9:50 Mon-Thu 2:35-6:05-9:35
Dredd 3D (18A) Fri-Sun 1-3:20-5:50-8:20-10:45 Mon-Thu 2:45-5:25-8:05-10:30
End of Watch (STC) Fri-Sun 2:15-4:55-7:40-10:25 Mon-Thu 2:15-4:55-7:40-10:20
The Expendables 2 (14A) Fri-Sun 12:50-3:15-5:40-8:15-10:40 Mon-Thu 2-4:45-7:25-10:10
Finding Nemo 3D (G) Fri-Sun 2:25-5-7:30-10:10 Mon-Wed 1:30-4:15-7-9:45 Thu 1:30-4:15-10:05 Sat 11:45 Thu 7
House at the End of the Street (PG) Fri-Sun 1:05-3:25-5:45-8:10-10:35 Mon-Thu 2:10-4:50-7:35-10
Mrs. Doubtfire (STC) Sat 11
ParaNorman (PG) Fri 12:55 Sat 12:15 Sun 12:55 Mon-Wed 3:15 Thu 2:05
ParaNorman 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 3:10-5:30-7:45 Mon-Wed 5:30-7:45 Thu 4:30
The Possession (14A) Fri-Sun 1:10-3:30-5:45-8:05-10:20 Mon-Thu 2:50-5:10-7:30-9:50
Resident Evil: Retribution 3D (14A) Fri-Sun 12:45-3:05-5:35-8-10:30 Mon-Thu 2:30-5:05-7:50-10:15
Trouble With the Curve (PG) Fri 2-4:40-7:20-10 Sat 11:20-2-4:40-7:20-10 Sun 2-4:40-7:20-10 Mon-Thu 1:35-4:20-7:10-9:55

New West/ Coquitlam

SilverCity Coquitlam
170 Schoolhouse Street, 604-523-2911

The Bourne Legacy (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:15-7:20-10:25
The Campaign (14A) Fri-Sun 1:40-3:55-6:10-8:25-10:40 Mon 1:40-3:50-6-8:15-10:30 Tue 1:40-3:55-6:10-8:25-10:40 Wed 1:40-3:50-6-8:15-10:30 Thu 1:40-3:50-10:10
The Dark Knight Rises (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:50-8:30
Dredd 3D (18A) Fri-Sun 1-3:25-5:50-8:15-10:40 Mon 1-3:20-5:40-8:05-10:30 Tue 1-3:25-5:50-8:15-10:40 Wed-Thu 1-3:20-5:40-8:05-10:30
End of Watch (STC) Fri 2:15-4:55-7:40-10:20 Sat 11:30-2:15-4:55-7:40-10:20 Sun-Thu 2:15-4:55-7:40-10:20 Fri-Sun 1:35-4:20-7-9:40 Mon 4:20-7-9:40 Tue 1:35-4:20-7-9:40 Wed-Thu 4:20-7-9:40
The Expendables 2 (14A) Fri 2:50-5:15-7:45-10:15 Sat-Sun 12:25-2:50-5:15-7:45-10:15 Mon-Thu 2:50-5:15-7:45-10:15
Finding Nemo 3D (G) Fri 2:40-5:15-7:50-10:25 Sat-Sun 12:10-2:40-5:15-7:50-10:25 Mon 2:20-5:05-7:40-10:15 Tue 2:40-5:15-7:50-10:25 Wed-Thu 2:20-5:05-7:40-10:15 Fri-Sun 2-4:40-7:20-10 Mon 4:40-7:20-10 Tue 2-4:40-7:20-10 Wed-Thu 4:40-7:20-10
Hope Springs (PG) Fri 2-4:30-7-9:30 Sat 11:20-2-4:30-7-9:30 Sun-Thu 2-4:30-7-9:30
House at the End of the Street (PG) Fri 2:45-5:20-8-10:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-3-5:30-8-10:30 Mon 2:45-5:20-7:55-10:25 Tue 2:45-5:20-8-10:30 Wed-Thu 2:45-5:20-7:55-10:25 Fri-Sun 2:20-5-7:40-10:15 Mon 5-7:40-10:15 Tue 2:20-5-7:40-10:15 Wed-Thu 5-7:40-10:15
Ice Age: Continental Drift (G) Fri 2:35 Sat-Sun 12:15 Mon-Thu 2:35
Ice Age: Continental Drift 3D (G) Fri 5-7:25 Sat-Sun 2:35-5-7:25 Mon-Thu 5-7:25
Lawless (14A) Fri-Thu 1:35-4:20-7:05-9:50
Masquerade (STC) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:15
Mrs. Doubtfire (STC) Sat 11
ParaNorman (PG) Fri 2:30 Sat-Sun 12:40 Mon-Tue 2:30 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1 Thu 2:30
ParaNorman 3D (STC) Fri 5:10-7:35-9:55 Sat-Sun 3-5:20-7:35-9:55 Mon-Thu 5:10-7:35-9:55
The Possession (14A) Fri-Thu 9:45
Resident Evil: Retribution 3D (14A) Fri 1-3:20-5:45-8:10-10:35 Sat-Sun 12:55-3:20-5:45-8:10-10:35 Mon 1-3:20-5:40-8:05-10:30 Tue 1-3:20-5:45-8:10-10:35 Wed-Thu 1-3:20-5:40-8:05-10:30 Fri-Sun 2:45-5:20-8-10:30 Mon 5:20-8-10:30 Tue 2:45-5:20-8-10:30 Wed-Thu 5:20-8-10:30
The Tempest (STC) Thu 7
Trouble With the Curve (PG) Fri 2:10-4:50-7:30-10:10 Sat 11-2:10-4:50-7:30-10:10 Sun-Tue 2:10-4:50-7:30-10:10 Wed 4:50-7:30-10:10 Thu 2:10-4:50-7:30-10:10 Fri-Sun 1:15-4-6:40-9:20 Mon 4-6:40-9:20 Tue 1:15-4-6:40-9:20 Wed-Thu 4-6:40-9:20
Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1

Surrey/White Rock/Langley

Clova
5732-176th St., Surrey, 604-541-9527

The Campaign (14A) Fri-Thu 8:50
The Words (PG) Fri-Thu 7

Hollywood 3 Cinema
7125-138th Street, Surrey, 604-592-4441

The Amazing Spider-Man 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 9
The Dark Knight Rises (PG) Fri-Thu 6:35 Fri-Thu 8:55
Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days (G) Sat-Sun 12:30-2:30
Hope Springs (PG) Fri-Thu 4:30
Ice Age: Continental Drift 3D (G) Fri 4:45-7 Sat-Sun 12:45-4:45-7 Mon-Thu 4:45-7
Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted 3D (G) Sat-Sun 2:45
The Odd Life of Timothy Green (G) Fri 4:30-6:40 Sat-Sun 1-4:30-6:40 Mon-Thu 4:30-6:40
Premium Rush (14A) Fri-Thu 9:45

Strawberry Hill Grande
12161-72nd Ave, Surrey, 604-501-9400

Barfi! (G) Fri-Sun 1-4:15-7:20-10:30 Mon 2:20-6:30-10 Tue 1-4:15-7:20-10:30 Wed-Thu 2:20-6:30-10
The Bourne Legacy (PG) Fri-Sun 10:45 Mon 10:15 Tue 10:45 Wed-Thu 10:15
Dredd 3D (18A) Fri-Sun 1:05-3:25-5:50-8:15-10:40 Mon 2:45-5:45-8:10-10:30 Tue 1:05-3:25-5:50-8:15-10:40 Wed-Thu 2:45-5:45-8:10-10:30
End of Watch (STC) Fri-Thu 2:15-4:55-7:40-10:25
The Expendables 2 (14A) Fri-Sun 2-5:40-8:10-10:45 Mon 2:25-5:40-8:10-10:30 Tue 2-5:40-8:10-10:45 Wed-Thu 2:25-5:40-8:10-10:30
Finding Nemo 3D (G) Fri 2:40-5:15-7:50-10:25 Sat 12:10-2:40-5:15-7:50-10:25 Sun-Thu 2:40-5:15-7:50-10:25
Heroine (STC) Fri-Sun 1:25-6:05-9:45 Mon 2:35-6:05-9:45 Tue 1:25-6:05-9:45 Wed-Thu 2:35-6:05-9:45
House at the End of the Street (PG) Fri 2:30-5:30-8-10:30 Sat-Sun 12:30-3-5:30-8-10:30 Mon 2:30-5:30-8-10:30 Tue 12:30-3-5:30-8-10:30 Wed-Thu 2:30-5:30-8-10:30
Mrs. Doubtfire (STC) Sat 11
ParaNorman (PG) Fri 1:15 Sat-Sun 12:45 Mon 2:05 Tue 12:45 Wed-Thu 2:05
ParaNorman 3D (STC) Fri 3:25-5:40-8:10 Sat-Sun 3:05-5:25-7:45 Mon 4:30-7 Tue 3:05-5:25-7:45 Wed-Thu 4:30-7
The Possession (14A) Fri-Sun 1:15-3:35-5:55-8:15-10:35 Mon 2:50-5:45-8:05-10:25 Tue 1:15-3:35-5:55-8:15-10:35 Wed-Thu 2:50-5:45-8:05-10:25
Raaz 3 3D (14A) Fri-Sun 1:05-4-7-10 Mon 3:10-6:45-10:10 Tue 1:05-4-7-10 Wed-Thu 3:10-6:45-10:10
Resident Evil: Retribution 3D (14A) Fri-Sun 1-3:20-5:45-8:10-10:40 Mon 2:10-5:35-7:55-10:20 Tue 1-3:20-5:45-8:10-10:40 Wed-Thu 2:10-5:35-7:55-10:20
Trouble With the Curve (PG) Fri-Thu 2-4:40-7:20-10

Studio 12 Guildford
15051-101st Ave, Surrey, 604-581-1176

Barfi! (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, Sub-Titled Fri 4:15-7:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, Sub-Titled Sat-Sun 1-4:15-7:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, Sub-Titled Mon 7:40 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, Sub-Titled Tue 4:15-7:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, Sub-Titled Wed-Thu 7:40
The Bourne Legacy (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 3:45-6:30-9:30 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 1-3:45-6:30-9:30 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon 5:15-8:25 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Tue 3:45-6:30-9:30 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 5:15-8:25
The Dark Knight Rises (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 4-8 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 1:05-4-8 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon 7:50 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Tue 4-8 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 7:50
Dredd 3D (18A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 4:25-7:25-9:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 1:40-4:25-7:25-9:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon 5:50-8:30 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Tue 4:25-7:25-9:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 5:50-8:30
End of Watch (STC) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 4:10-7:15-9:50 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 1:35-4:10-7:15-9:50 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon 5:40-8:20 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Tue 4:10-7:15-9:50 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 5:40-8:20
Finding Nemo 3D (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 3:55-6:45-9:15 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 1:20-3:55-6:45-9:15 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon 5:30-8 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Tue 3:55-6:45-9:15 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 5:30-8
Heroine (STC) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, Sub-Titled Fri 4:35-7:50 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, Sub-Titled Sat-Sun 1:25-4:35-7:50 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, Sub-Titled Mon 7:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, Sub-Titled Tue 4:35-7:50 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, Sub-Titled Wed-Thu 7:45
House at the End of the Street (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 4:20-7-9:30 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 1:25-4:20-7-9:30 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon 5:45-8:40 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Tue 4:20-7-9:30 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 5:45-8:40
Lawless (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 4:05-6:50-9:40 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 1:15-4:05-6:50-9:40 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon 5:25-8:10 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Tue 4:05-6:50-9:40 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 5:25-8:10
The Possession (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 4:35-7:35-10 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 1:45-4:35-7:35-10 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon 6-8:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Tue 4:35-7:35-10 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 6-8:45
Resident Evil: Retribution (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 4:15 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 1:30 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon 5:55 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Tue 4:15 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 5:55
Resident Evil: Retribution 3D (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 7:10-9:35 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 4:15-7:10-9:35 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon 8:35 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Tue 7:10-9:35 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Wed-Thu 8:35
Trouble With the Curve (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Fri 3:50-6:35-9:20 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Sat-Sun 1:10-3:50-6:35-9:20 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Mon 5:35-8:15 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Tue 3:50-6:35-9:20 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating, No Passes Wed-Thu 5:35-8:15
Rialto
1732-152nd Street, White Rock, 604-541-9527, criteriontheatres.com
Hope Springs (PG) Fri 7:10 Sat-Sun 2:10-7:10 Mon-Thu 7:10
Lawless (14A) Fri-Thu 9:05
Trouble With the Curve (PG) Fri 7-9:10 Sat-Sun 2-7-9:10 Mon-Thu 7-9:10

Criterion 4 White Rock
2381 King George Highway, 604-531-7456, criteriontheatres.com

The Bourne Legacy (PG) Fri-Thu 7-9:30
Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days (G) Sat-Sun 2:20
House at the End of the Street (PG) Fri 7:20-9:25 Sat-Sun 2-7:20-9:25 Mon-Thu 7:20-9:25
ParaNorman (PG) Fri 7:10 Sat-Sun 2:10-7:10 Mon-Thu 7:10
Resident Evil: Retribution (14A) Fri 7:30-9:35 Sat-Sun 2:30-7:30-9:35 Mon-Thu 7:30-9:35
The Words (PG) Fri-Thu 9

Colossus Langley
20090-91A Ave, Langley, 604-513-8747

The Bourne Legacy (PG) Fri-Sun 1:30-4:35-7:35-10:35 Mon-Thu 4-7-10:10
The Campaign (14A) Fri-Sun 1:35-3:50-6:05-8:20-10:30 Mon-Thu 5-7:30-10:05
The Dark Knight Rises (PG) Fri-Sun 1:50-6:05-9:55 Mon-Thu 5:30-9:30
Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Dog Days (G) Fri-Sun 12:35-2:55-5:20-7:45 Mon-Thu 4:05-6:45
Dredd 3D (18A) Fri-Sun 1-3:25-5:50-8:15-10:40 Mon-Thu 4:40-7:20-10
End of Watch (STC) Fri-Sun 2:15-4:55-7:40-10:25 Mon-Thu 4:50-7:40-10:30
The Expendables 2 (14A) Fri-Sun 12:35-3:10-5:40-8:10-10:45 Mon-Thu 4:30-7:30-10:20
Finding Nemo 3D (G) Fri 2:10-2:40-4:45-5:15-7:20-7:50-10 Sat 11:30-12:10-2:10-2:40-4:45-5:15-7:20-7:50-10 Sun 2:10-2:40-4:45-5:15-7:20-7:50-10 Mon-Thu 4:15-4:45-6:50-7:15-9:30
Hit & Run (14A) Fri-Sun 10:45 Mon-Thu 9:20
Hope Springs (PG) Fri 2-4:35-7:30-9:55 Sat 11:30-2-4:35-7:30-9:55 Sun 2-4:35-7:30-9:55 Mon-Thu 4:05-6:55-9:40
House at the End of the Street (PG) Fri-Sun 12:30-3-5:30-8-10:30 Mon-Thu 4:45-7:15-9:45
Lawless (14A) Fri 2:05-4:45-7:30-10:15 Sat 11:15-2:05-4:45-7:30-10:15 Sun 2:05-4:45-7:30-10:15 Mon-Thu 4:10-7-10:15
Mrs. Doubtfire (STC) Sat 11
The Odd Life of Timothy Green (G) Fri 2:05-4:40-7:15-9:50 Sat 11:15-2:05-4:40-7:15-9:50 Sun 2:05-4:40-7:15-9:50 Mon-Thu 4:25-7:05-9:50
ParaNorman (PG) Fri-Sun 12:45 Mon-Tue 4:25 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 3 Thu 4:25
ParaNorman 3D (STC) Fri-Sun 3:05-5:25-7:45-10:05 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:45
The Possession (14A) Fri-Sun 1:15-3:35-5:55-8:15-10:35 Mon-Tue 4:55-7:45-10:25 Wed 4:55-10:25 Thu 4:55-7:45-10:25
Premium Rush (14A) Fri-Sun 10:35 Mon-Thu 9:50
Rambo: First Blood Part II (STC) Mon 7:30
Resident Evil: Retribution 3D (14A) Fri-Sun 12:30-2:50-5:15-7:40-10:10 Mon-Thu 4:35-7:10-10
Resident Evil:Retribution — An IMAX 3D Experience (14A) Fri-Sun 12:55-3:20-5:45-8:10-10:40 Mon-Thu 5:45-8:10-10:40
Ted (14A) Fri-Sun 1:40-4:30-7:25-10:20 Mon 4:35-10:20 Tue-Wed 4:35-7:25-10:20 Thu 4:20-10:20
The Tempest (STC) Thu 7
Trouble With the Curve (PG) Fri-Sun 2-4:40-7:20-10 Mon-Tue 4-7:05-9:55 Wed 7:05-9:55 Thu 4-7:05-9:55
Star & Strollers Screening Wed 3

Twilight Drive-In
260th Street & Fraser Highway, Langley, 604-856-5063

Dredd (18A) Fri-Sat 9:30 Sun-Thu 7:45
Resident Evil: Retribution (14A) Fri-Sat 7:45 Sun-Thu 9:30
Total Recall (PG) Fri-Sat 11:30

It's getting chilly outside, but that's not necessarily a bad thing. It could give you more time to watch these TV shows in the fall.

METRO WORLD NEWS

1 Partners

Polar opposite best friend business partners Joe (David Krumholtz), who is straight, and Louis (Michael Urie), who is gay, bicker about work and life, but can't imagine even a day spent without the other. Their relationship becomes even more complicated when Joe proposes to his girlfriend (Sophia Bush). It's your standard odd-couple sit-com, this one relying on quasi-edgy jokes.
Premieres Monday, Citytv.

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2 The Mob Doctor

Jordana Spiro (My Boys) plays Grace Devlin, a promising Chicago doctor who moonlights for the mob — just in case that wasn't clear from the title. She splits her time between saving lives at a prestigious hospital and stitching up goons in dirty back rooms, thanks to her brother's debt to the mafia.
Airs Sunday, CTV

3 Animal Practice

Justin Kirk plays a misanthropic veterinarian with a monkey sidekick. If your current Facebook update is some variation on a cute animal picture, video, or inspirational message, set your PVR now.
Premieres Sept. 30, Global

4 Guys with Kids

From executive producer Jimmy Fallon comes this comedy about three loving dads who don't want to lose their "dudeness" just because they're wearing Baby Bjorns. Just don't get the baby bottle mixed up with the beer bottle, guys.
Airs Tuesdays, Global

5 Chicago Fire

Law & Order creator Dick Wolf brings his crime-of-the-week storytelling to Chicago, where the heroes are firefighters and paramedics and the foe is a dramatic inferno — when it's not the bickering members of the firehouse themselves. Eamonn Walker, Jesse Spencer and Taylor Kinney star.
Premieres Oct. 10, Global

6 The Neighbors

So the neighbours in an idyllic suburban neighbourhood turn out to be aliens. Don't forget that we once all bought the idea of a vampire, Frankenstein monster and werewolf living the quintessential American life over on Mockingbird Lane.
Premieres Saturday, Sept. 26, CTV

7 Arrow

As a rich party-boy-turned-vigilante, Stephen Amell brings depth beyond a broody stare to DC Comics crime fighter Green Arrow. He's also got muscles — the kind of six-pack that could make Ryan Gosling feel flabby — courtesy of the most jaw-droppingly insane workout regiment ever to appear in a television pilot.
Premieres Oct. 10, CTV Two

8 Last Resort

Is there heroism in disobedience? Shawn Ryan — who proved to be a master of the anti-hero with his game-changing cop drama The Shield — is behind this tale of a U.S. ballistic missile submarine crew who disobeys unexpected orders to blow up Pakistan and subsequently becomes enemies of the state.
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Which sitcom is for you?

Fall TV. Television is crowded with comedy this fall. Thanks to our handy flowchart, DVR overload is a thing of the past. To start, choose whether you prefer the company of friends or family

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Go On
Matthew Perry stars as a recently widowed sportscaster who finds wacky but loving new friends in a grief support group. Now airing Wednesdays on Global.

The New Normal
Every family has a little crazy in it. The loose screw comes in the form of a bigoted grandma (Ellen Barkin) in this sitcom. A committed gay couple (Andrew Rannells and Justin Bartha) hiring a single mom (Georgia King) to carry their child may seem untraditional, but their situation is full of love (and some bitingly funny moments) regardless. Airs Tuesday on CTV.

Ben and Kate
Slacker Ben (Nat Faxon) and frazzled single mom Kate (Dakota Johnson) are odd couple/best friend siblings who become roommates when perennial couch surfer Ben moves in for good. Their affectionately antagonistic relationship will ring true if you grew up close to a brother or sister you also wanted to strangle. Premieres Tuesday, Citytv.

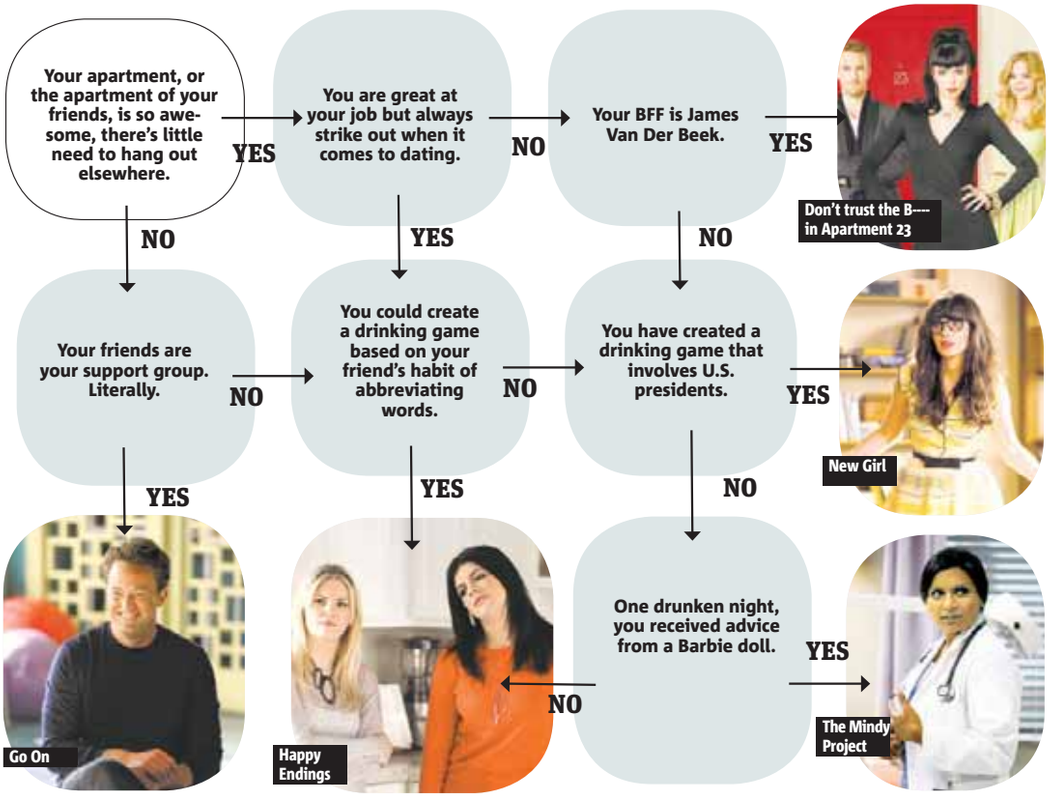
New Girl
As Jess' (Zoe Deschanel) "adorkable" factor was toned down and focus was put on her friendship with her male roommates (Max Greenfield, Jake Johnson and Lamorne Morris, who proved just as capable playing goofy as their female counterpart), New Girl grew to become last season's best buddy comedy — complete with a drinking game, True American. Premieres Tuesday, Citytv.

The Mindy Project
The reasons we fell in love with New Girl apply here — Mindy (Mindy Kaling), an OBGYN who doesn't look like she's moonlighting as a runway model, is successful in her professional life but a total failure when it comes to love. A vet of The Office, Kaling brings optimism to the most cynical comedy — the New York City dating scene — even if she does resort to taking advice from a toy. Premieres Tuesday, Citytv.

Raising Hope
The Chance family (Cloris Leachman, Martha Plimpton, Garret Dillahunt, Lucas Neff) thrives on chaos. Though the show often hits on white-trash humour, what the family lacks in funds — or smarts — they make up for in heart. Premieres Oct. 2, Citytv.

Don't Trust the B---- in Apartment 23
If it weren't for con artist Chloe's (Krysten Ritter) loyalty to equally egotistic pal James Van Der Beek (playing a heightened version of himself) or admiration for new roomie June (Dreama Walker) who lost her big-time NYC gig but won't let the city get her down, Chloe really would be a queen B. Premieres Oct. 22, Citytv.

If you prefer to hang out with friends...


Your apartment, or the apartment of your friends, is so awesome, there's little need to hang out elsewhere.
YES
You are great at your job but always strike out when it comes to dating.
NO
Your BFF is James Van Der Beek.
YES
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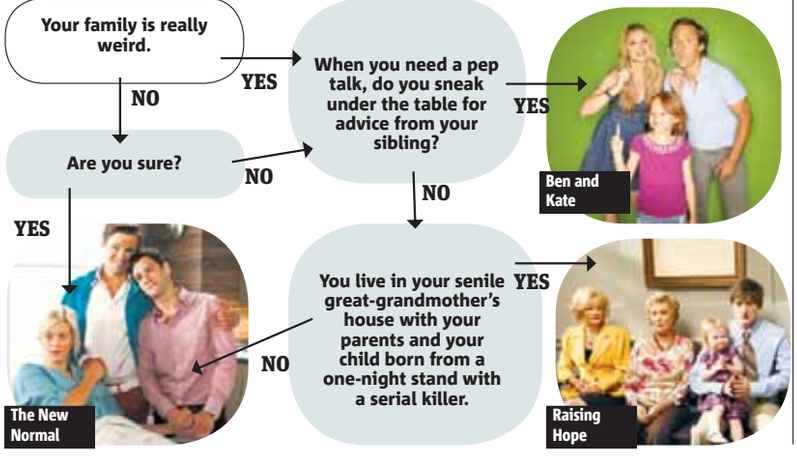
NO
YES
NO
Your friends are your support group. Literally.
NO
You could create a drinking game based on your friend's habit of abbreviating words.
NO
You have created a drinking game that involves U.S. presidents.
YES
New Girl
YES
YES
NO
Go On
Happy Endings
NO
One drunken night, you received advice from a Barbie doll.
YES
The Mindy Project

Also new on ...

- **Vegas.** Dennis Quaid plays reluctant lawman Ralph Lamb, based on a real-life sheriff who tried to clean up Vegas in the 1960s. Standing in Quaid's way is Michael Chiklis, who plays the gangster archetype with roguish delight. Premieres Tuesday, Global.
- **Emily Owens, M.D.** Mamie Gummer scrubs in as a doctor whose worst nightmare comes true — the social hierarchy at her Denver hospital — is just like high school. Premieres Oct. 16, CTV Two.

If you prefer to hang out with family...


Your family is really weird.
YES
When you need a pep talk, do you sneak under the table for advice from your sibling?
YES
Ben and Kate
NO
Are you sure?
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NO
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YES
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Stars share their Emmy-day RXs

Attending the Emmy Awards as a nominee is the kind of heady experience that sends even veteran actors' and show-runners' tummies aflutter. But, of course, the show must go on. Stars say they turn to booze, tunes and deep breaths to prepare for such moments. Here's what some of this year's nominees would prescribe for a case of Emmy-day nerves on Sunday.

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Jesse Tyler Ferguson, Modern Family

"Oh, gosh. Maybe some vodka. A flask of vodka, I think. Don't you think? Oh, absolutely. Maybe a Quaalude. Perfect. There you go."

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Amy Poehler, Parks and Recreation

"Oh, you mean pharmaceutically? Hmm. Baby aspirin. Baby aspirin and maybe just like a small children's pool of sangria."

Maya Rudolph, Saturday Night Live

"Champagne always makes a person happy. At least a bottle. Yeah. For myself."

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Mayim Bialik, The Big Bang Theory

"Music. Music. I'm going to vote for either Adele's 21 or Decemberists' The King is Dead. Music soothes the savage beast."

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Zooey Deschanel, New Girl

"Actors, the thing is, we're used to getting nervous. That's sort of our thing. You get nervous and you know how to get through it. Otherwise, we wouldn't be able to go on stage or shoot.... I would say if I'm nervous, I would just drink a glass of water and take a deep breath."

Max Greenfield, New Girl

"A case of presence. Yes. Not 'presents.' Presence. Yes, we want to bring ourselves into the present moment and say, 'Hey! Look at this. Look what's happening. Let's be grateful for this moment and take it all in.' You know what I mean?"

Guest-star dream roles

While these stars have earned repeat Emmy nods for their regular gigs, that doesn't mean they don't have their eye on some sweet guest-star work. Producers, take note: Here's a look at the shows these nominees would love to try.

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Christina Hendricks, Mad Men

"I'd love to do a guest spot on Downton Abbey. I'm absolutely in love with Homeland. I think it's amazing. I would do anything they asked me."

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2

Julie Bowen, Modern Family

"Oh God, I don't know. Dynasty? I just want to wear really big shoulder pads and have crazy big hair."

3

Bill Paxton, Hatfields & McCoys

"I would love to do a part on Boardwalk Empire. I'd have to play some guy that comes out from the West, a new hitter in town."

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Reinventing a classic

Television. Elementary creator and stars break down their characters

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Lucy Liu stars alongside Jonny Lee Miller in Elementary. HANDOUT

In the new Global drama Elementary, eccentric detective Sherlock Holmes surfaces in New York City after a stint in rehab. He is forced to accept the aid of a sober companion, Dr. Joan Watson, to help in his recovery, though he believes his best shot at redemption is through helping his pal in the NYPD solve the city's toughest cases. Meet the modern incarnations of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's crime solvers.

Sherlock Holmes, played by Jonny Lee Miller

His past

"Oh, yeah — he's definitely got mental issues," Miller says. "I wouldn't say a mental illness or anything like that, but he's got issues, personal issues."

Series creator Rob Doherty teases that "something terrible happened to (Sherlock) in London. He spiralled out of control. Our Sherlock has emerged with what I think is at his core just a tiny kernel of self doubt where one previously never existed."

Miller — whose own tattoos are visible in character — says that inner turmoil is what makes the brilliant, yet socially inept, Sherlock relatable.

"He struggles with his own sense of self," Miller says. "People can identify with that."

The present

Whereas some incarnations of Sherlock may have been considered sociopathic, the detective in Elementary isn't simply seeking the thrill of the chase when he takes on a new case.

"Our Sherlock is a puzzle solver," says Doherty. "I see him as someone who is driven … to do the right thing, to help people. At the end of the day, he believes in justice. It's not just about putting bad guys behind bars. Helping people and doing the right thing are factors that play into it as well."

His future

If there is one foe that defines Sherlock, it's Moriarty. Doherty promises the detective's nemesis will factor into the series, but is reluctant to give away too many details.

"He was such a shadowy figure," Doherty says. "I think he was described as the spider at the centre of the web of crime in London. He's the man behind the man behind the man. In other words, there are a few dominos we knock over before we ultimately get to him."

Dr. Joan Watson Played by Lucy Liu

Her past

Though Watson may not act out like the abrasive, dysfunctional Sherlock, the doctor may be just as damaged as her charge.

"She was a surgeon and lost her licence, which gives her sort of a dark past that we still don't know about (in the pilot), and we may not discover for a little while," Liu says. "What we want to do is introduce the audience to the characters, and then sort of slowly unravel a little bit about her personal history."

The present

Watson's obligations to Sherlock are professional — keep him sober and safe — until she realizes she's not such a bad private investigator herself.

"(Watson) is on the sideline (in the pilot), observing him, because she's his sober companion," Liu says.

"So she's not engaged in the mystery. She's engaged in him, and from that point on, then you get to see how that sort of blossoms out."

Her future

With a female Watson as Sherlock's sidekick, is a hookup imminent?

Going back to the source material, Liu notes Sherlock's "awkward relationship with the other gender."

Making his trusted companion a woman, she says, "is a constant reminder of that awkwardness and that division between being a friend," or something more.

Miller insists the friendship is core to Elementary, just as it has been in all other takes on crime fighting duo. But sexual tension, he admits, is inevitable.

"There is that element, and people are going to wonder," he says.

"But then wondering and asking questions is something that you really want your audience to do, isn't it?"

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McLachlan trying for more positive songs

Canadian singer. Known for her sad, emotional ballads, the local star says she is now going for something upbeat

After releasing perhaps her saddest album yet, Sarah McLachlan says she's trying to write more upbeat material.

The three-time Grammy winner says she's penned five songs for her next disc but plans to devote more time to new material beginning in late fall, with the tentative aim of releasing a new album in 2013.

That release date might sound optimistic for the methodical McLachlan – but that's right in line with the way she's tried to view the world of late.

"I'm really working on being more positive," the friendly 44-year-old said in a recent interview from Vancouver, where she lives.

"(I'm trying) to think about what it is you want in your life, and then putting it out there, and then trying to sort of not look back.

"And that's been tricky, because in my writing, that's what I do. I look back. I reflect. And I'm really trying to be more forward-thinking in my writing."

McLachlan's effort to let a little more light into her songwriting comes after arguably her bleakest album yet, 2010's Laws of Illusion.

That sad, lovelorn record was released two years after McLachlan split with drummer Ashwin Sood, her husband of 11 years with whom she shares two daughters. The album, which opened at No. 2 on the Canadian chart, found McLachlan probing the remains of her relationship and trying to move forward.

"I went through some (crap)," she says now with a laugh as she casts her mind back to that period.

"There was a lot of real heartfelt stuff on there. But you know, there is on every record. And I think they are all sort of postcards of where I am emotionally. And my outlook is really very positive, and I'm ever hopeful. So I'm really trying to figure out a way to interject more of that into the music.

"I don't know if I'll succeed."

And yet she knows that if she gets too upbeat, fans who flock to her fluttering vocals for a dose of harmonious heartbreak could be, well, heartbroken.

"Yeah, like: 'Oh my God, she's gone on Prozac,"' said McLachlan, who had to cancel a performance at Toronto's Massey Hall on Thursday. "Believe me, there's still going to be some good gut-wrenchers. Because that's my happy place."

The Building a Mystery songwriter will also be feted this weekend when she receives a star on the Canada's Walk of Fame alongside fellow inductees Randy Bachman, former CFLer Russ Jackson and late funnyman Phil Hartman.

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Canadian singer Sarah McLachlan is penning songs for her next album. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Favourites for the fourth-quarter

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We'll be off to the races with big fourth-quarter releases come Tuesday with new records from both Green Day and No Doubt. But let's not let these releases get lost in the commotion.

Default/ Django Django

This U.K. band's debut record is on the short list for this year's Mercury Prize. Their self-titled debut finally gets its North American release on Tuesday.

I Wanna Rob a Bank/Jason Collett

Now that Broken Social Scene is taking a long break, Jason is free to follow his muse. Reckon is his first solo record in two years.

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Timberlake. Star says he struggles to turn out music

He brought SexyBack, but don't quite wait for Justin Timberlake to bring his music back — just yet. The singing superstar said his music making process is fueled by life's experiences and making an album "is a really big deal."

"For me, personally, when I do sit down and decide to do it, it's just a special thing," he said in an interview Wednesday night.

Timberlake is engaged to actress Jessica Biel. He's appeared in a ton of movies in recent years, from The Social Network to Friends With Benefits. This week he's in Trouble With the Curve, alongside Clint Eastwood and Amy Adams. His last album was 2006's FutureSex/LoveSounds, a Grammy-winning record that launched three No. 1 hits and sold more than four million units in the United States. He's appeared on songs by other musicians but has not released his own music since.

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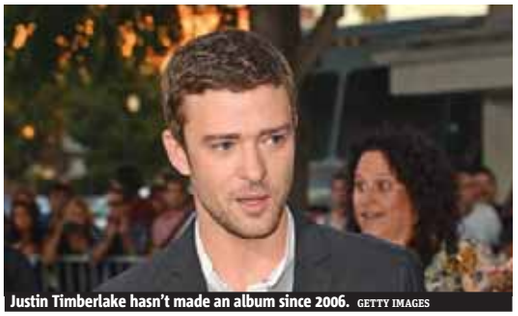

Justin Timberlake hasn't made an album since 2006. GETTY IMAGES

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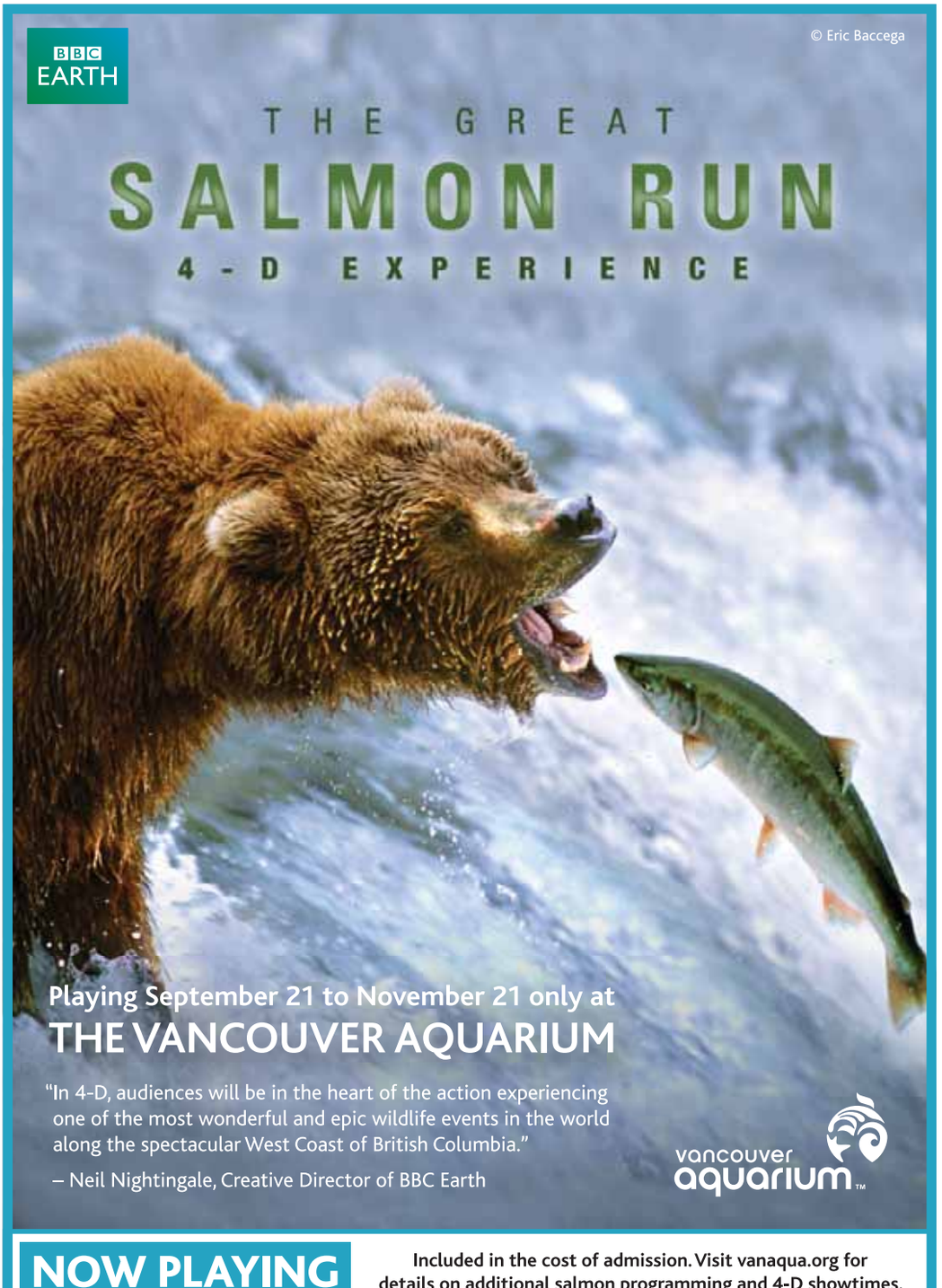
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Ben Folds goes from nightmares to reunion

New album. Band reunites after years of separation, and talks about what drove them apart and brought them back

Until his epiphany in a photographer's darkroom, Ben Folds used to have nightmares about a reunion with his old group, Ben Folds Five.

Seriously. He'd dream of getting ready for a gig and being whisked away to a theatre where Robert Sledge and Darren Jessee were waiting before a big crowd. He'd wake up sweating.

Those days are over, with the combustible trio of singer-songwriter and pianist Folds, bass player Sledge and drummer Jessee a unit again. Their first album since 1999, The Sound of the Life of the Mind, is out this week and they'll be on tour this fall.

Why they broke up in the first place isn't easy to explain.

"We've never even talked about it," Folds said. "We've been asked together, but when we're asked, we all sort of look at each other because we're not sure. There's a trail of emails that can probably tell you."

Folds maintained a steady, eclectic career following the breakup. He had some conventional solo albums and made a disc with a cappella versions of his songs by him and college choirs. He was a judge on The Sing-Off and wrote music with novelist Nick Hornby. He lived in southern Australia for several years.

While developing photos one day he recalled times when he acted like an idiot, arguments where he realized upon reflection he was wrong. It was an emotional moment. The nightmares ended. Sledge was taken aback when Folds simply said, "I'm sorry," out of the blue one time when they talked.

Folds called his old friends in 2008 when he was asked to perform songs from their last album live. Any awkwardness quickly slipped away.

"I could really understand how meaningful the work was," Sledge said. "I felt like there was a real point to this band. There's a certain level of intellectualism. There's a chemistry in this band that is not something that I've ever had in my life. It was worth jumping on a plane and flying around the world. And I missed them."

"I didn't," Folds said. "For a while."

Folds is steeling himself for how the reunion will be taken publicly.

"I expect the narrative to be, 'Thank God. Guy sucks for 10 years and finally comes to his senses and gets his band back together again and eats crow and does almost as good as they used to,"' he said. "That's what I expect to hear from the corporate media."

But when he's out in the world he hears from fans who say, "This song changed my life," or "I met my wife at your gig." His solo song The Luckiest has been the soundtrack for many wedding first dances.

"I've been playing my solo gigs for so long that it means something to me," he said.

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Ben Folds has reunited with his old band Ben Folds Five. GETTY IMAGES

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Shakira's hips didn't lie

After months of speculation, Shakira has confirmed that she's pregnant.

"As some of you may know, (boyfriend) Gerard (Pique) and I are very happy awaiting the arrival of our first baby," the singer posted on her website.

"At this time we have decided to give priority to this unique moment in our lives and postpone all the promotional activities planned over the next few days." Shakira was scheduled to perform at the IheartRadio-Festival this weekend in Las Vegas, but she's cancelled the appearance.

Quote

"We have decided to give priority to this unique moment in our lives."

Shakira
On taking time off.

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The Word

Amanda Bynes takes on drunk driving rumours

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Amanda Bynes may be making headlines regularly for her troubles behind the wheel and her increasingly erratic behaviour, but the actress herself is "doing amazing," she tells People magazine during a phone call this week.

"I am retired as an actor. I am moving to New York to launch my career. I am going to do a fashion line," she says. "I am not talking about being arrested for DUI because I don't drink, and I don't drink and drive."

But while the former Nickelodeon star herself may think everything's fine, her nearest and dearest aren't so confident.

"People around Amanda are really concerned about her," a source tells the magazine. "She tells people she doesn't party or drink. She doesn't realize she has a problem."

And her behaviour is getting even weirder.

On Tuesday night, she was kicked out of a spin class at her L.A. gym, per TMZ. Apparently, the class had started but Bynes stopped cycling and started wandering around the class. Once she found another bike, she hopped aboard but then took off her shirt, revealing a "tiny black strapless push up bra ... not a sports bra," says a witness.

Monica Lewinsky

Lewinsky cashes in on sexy letters

Fourteen years after revelations of her affair with Bill Clinton rocked the White House, Monica Lewinsky is reportedly telling all with the publication of her love letters to the then-president, according to Page Six.

The former White House intern was paid $12 million for the letters, sources say.

"In them, she opened her heart about her love for Bill and how much happier she could make him," a source says.

"Some of what she wrote was so raw that she never sent them."

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This is one of the most beautiful and delicious recipes to serve. Use a variety of coloured tortillas to make it even more spectacular. When this dish is cut open to expose the tomato sauce, vegetables and cheese, it looks amazing.

1. Preheat oven to 350 F. Lightly coat a 9-inch springform pan with cooking spray.

2. Lightly coat a non-stick saucepan with vegetable oil and set over medium heat. Add the corn and sauté, stirring often, for about 8 minutes or until slightly charred. Set aside.

3. Add oil to saucepan and keep over medium heat. Add the onion and garlic and cook for 4 minutes, stirring occasionally. Stir in the red and green peppers. Cook for 3 minutes, stirring occasionally. Stir in the tomato sauce, charred corn, basil, chili powder and cumin. Cover and cook over medium heat, stirring occasionally, for 10 minutes or until slightly thickened. Remove from the heat.

4. Place the chickpeas in a bowl and mash them roughly with a fork. Add to the vegetable mixture and stir to combine.

5. In a separate bowl, combine ricotta, mozzarella and cheddar cheeses (but reserve 1/4 cup of the cheddar for garnish). Add the milk and salt and pepper and stir until well combined.

6. Place a tortilla in the prepared springform pan. Spread with one quarter of the vegetable-chickpea mixture. Sprinkle with one quarter of the cheese mixture. Repeat the layers 3 times. Top with the final tortilla and sprinkle with the remaining cheddar cheese and the Parmesan cheese. Cover the pan tightly with foil.

7. Bake for 20 minutes in the preheated oven, then uncovered for 10 minutes or until it is completely heated through and the cheese has melted. Cut into 8 wedges with a sharp knife.

ROSE REISMAN'S FAMILY FAVORITES (WHITECAP BOOKS) BY ROSE REISMAN

Ingredients

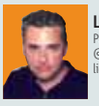
- 1 cup canned corn, drained
- 2 tsp vegetable oil
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 2 tsp finely chopped garlic
- 1/2 cup each chopped red and green bell pepper
- 2 cups tomato sauce
- 1 1/2 tsp dried basil
- 1 tsp chili powder
- 1/2 tsp ground cumin
- 2 cups canned chickpeas, drained and rinsed

Filling

- 1 cup light ricotta (5 per cent)
- 1 cup shredded low-fat mozzarella cheese
- 3/4 cup shredded light cheddar cheese
- 3 tbsp low-fat milk
- pinch of salt and pepper
- 2 tbsp grated Parmesan cheese
- 5 large flour tortillas

Liquid Assets

Your guide to oyster-friendly wine



LIQUID ASSETS
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When you grow up in Nova Scotia, you quickly come to realize that a few things are pretty much a given. 1) You must own Anne Murray's Greatest Hits. 2) Even on a bad day, you have to be friendly to tourists. 3) You're born with a love of fresh seafood.

As a bluenoser, I was brought up on more than just lobster. Scallops and mussels were a menu regular at my house. Sadly, the one mollusk that eluded me as a kid was oyster.

Now that I can eat what I want, I like nothing better than to shuck my way through a dozen or so of our country's amazing oyster output over a glass of one of the many wines that pair so well with them.

If you're up for the classics, a dry French Chablis, Muscadet or anything with champagne in its name is a marriage made in heaven.

A modern take on the perfect pairing is any vino made from sauvignon blanc. New Zealand makes rock solid versions with the Whitehaven 2010 Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc ($17.99 - $19.99), a citrus-infused wonder that plays so well with oysters when both meet in your mouth.

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Easy oven-free lasagna

1. In saucepan, combine beef, onion and garlic and brown. Add spaghetti sauce and frozen mixed vegetables; cover and simmer over medium heat, stirring occasionally, until hot, 10 to 15 minutes.

2. Remove from heat; stir in grape tomatoes. Meanwhile, cook lasagna noodles according to package directions. Cut each crosswise into 3 pieces; set aside.

3. In a small bowl, combine ricotta and Parmesan cheeses, salt and pepper.

Ingredients

- 500 g (1 lb) ground beef
- 1 onion, minced
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 500 ml (2 cups) spaghetti sauce
- 250 ml (1 cup) mixed frozen vegetables
- 500 ml (2 cups) grape tomatoes, halved
- 4 lasagna noodles
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) ricotta cheese
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) grated Parmesan cheese, plus extra for serving
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- Fresh basil, for garnish (optional)

4. Scoop some hot beef mixture onto each of 4 plates and top each with 2 noodle pieces, overlapping. Top each with a spoonful of ricotta mixture, followed by more beef mixture. Repeat noodle, ricotta and beef layers.

This recipe serves four. THE CANADIAN PRESS H/O

5. Garnish each with a sprinkling of grated Parmesan and some fresh basil, if desired.

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Culture Days

This annual, cross-Canada celebratory effort invites participants to get out and partake in various enriching and engaging cultural experiences. This year is no exception with events such as the Chinese Cultural Festival and Lantern Festival taking place, a First Nations Culture Celebration, concert series and Soundwalks aiming to highlight BC's diversity. Sept. 28 to 30 at various venues throughout Lower Mainland. bc.culturedays.ca.

VOKRA's 3rd Annual Walk for the Kitties

Support this 100 per cent volunteer-driven organization and join in for a 5 km walk in support of their efforts to raise funds and find homes for more than 1,000 abandoned cats and kittens found throughout the Lower Mainland. If you can't make the walk, you can still consider an online donation to help them reach their $50K goal. Sept. 23 at 1300 Discovery St.

Vancouver International Film Festival

Mark your calendar for the return of VIFF (celebrating its 27th year). It's nearly two weeks of cinematic splendour, parties, screenings and more — with 380 films set to screen throughout the festival. New this year, be sure to check out a series of talks taking place as part of Filmmakers Day and get face to face with major industry veterans and players. Sept. 27 to Oct. 12 at various venues.

Just Opened: Espana Restaurant

Owned by former chef of Uva/Cibo Restaurant, this cosy West End spot is sure to be a hit (and a welcomed addition to the neighbourhood). With a well-priced menu featuring lots of Spanish favourites perfect for snacking and conveniently organized depending on what your appetite is after (vegetarian, meat or seafood). It is a great pick for light, tasty fare in a laid back atmosphere steps from the beach. 1118 Denman St.

Just Opened: The Last Crumb Bakery

Satiate your sweet tooth and head to this newly opened, rustic Mount Pleasant neighbourhood spot. Stock up on old-fashioned, freshly-baked bread, cupcakes, pies, cookies and more. Also on the menu, made-from-scratch soups, custom sandwiches and salads. They've got gluten free and vegan options too, as well as a laid back atmosphere perfect for a bit of people-watching. 3080 Main St.

SOCIAL MEDIA WEEK

Coming Up: Social Media Week

This must-attend event returns to Vancouver for a second year and brings the spotlight to social media organizations and technology through open (and free) discussion of what social media means beyond the basics. Catch keynote speakers such as Jim Treliving and Bruce Croxon (Dragon's Den Social Summit), Ranjit Kumaran (YouSendIt) and social media wiz, Gary Vaynerchuck to name a few. Sept. 24 to 28) at various venues.

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SPORTS 4

European exodus not all rosy, IIHF head says

NHL lockout. 'Integrity of game' should come before short-term business gains: Fasel

The steady flow of star players to European teams during the NHL lockout could distort national competitions, International Ice Hockey Federation president Rene Fasel said Thursday.

Fasel told The Associated Press that he balanced the increased attention for European hockey against potential damage to the integrity of leagues, especially if players return to North America mid-season.

"It's questionable how fair it is to the others (teams) and the whole league system," Fasel said by telephone from Tokyo, where the governing body has its congress next week.

"The integrity of the game is, for us, something very important. It's not just business," the world hockey leader said. "We play the game for the hockey fans, but sport should always be No. 1. Sport should also be about fairness to everybody."

Since the lockout started, players have turned to Europe to find playing time and salaries until the stalemate between the league and NHL players' union is resolved.

Fasel said it is good for fans to see stars come home, including two-time MVP Alex Ovechkin to Russian club Dynamo Moscow and New York Islanders captain Mark Streit with Switzerland's best-supported club, Bern.

"That is very positive, there's no doubt," said Fasel, a former Swiss league referee. "Mark Streit never played in Switzerland when he was a junior. Now he can come back and play for a top team as a big star — that's a great story."

Still, Fasel acknowledged mixed feelings.

"You have to pay the insurance (for salaries) and we know most of the clubs have troubles with their budgets, so they should be careful," he said. "There are some teams in Switzerland that will never be able to pay half a million and more to hire these guys."

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Horoscopes

Aries
March 21 - April 20
You may come under a lot of pressure today but you have always been the sort who knows how to raise your game when the heat is on, so you'll do OK. But try not to put any friendships at risk.

Taurus
April 21 - May 21
The only way you are going to get things done, and get them done right, over the next 24 hours is if you do them yourself. Fortunately, with your ruler Venus on good terms with Jupiter, you won't lack enthusiasm.

Gemini
May 22 - June 21
You may be entirely in the right but be wary of starting a feud with someone who may, in the long-term, prove stronger and more ruthless than you. Maybe this time it would be wise to back down.

Cancer
June 22 - July 23
You seemed determined to put yourself to the test, to prove that you have what it takes. But who are you trying to impress: yourself or other people? If it's the latter, you need to change your outlook a little.

Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
Because you are trying to do several tasks at once, things have begun to go wrong. But, being the stubborn sort, you refuse to change. Do you really want to end up further away from your goals than when you started?

Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Your eagerness to succeed could lead you to show your hand too soon and make it easy for rivals to work out what you are trying to do. Don't tell anyone, not even friends, what they don't need to know.

Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Avoid petty disputes today. With your ruling planet Venus on good terms with big-hearted Jupiter, the last thing you want is to get caught up in other people's squabbles. Your sights are set on bigger and better things.

Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You will go over the top in some way today but somehow it will all come right for you — which may be a huge surprise. Both financially and professionally, it seems you can do no wrong at the moment.

Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Just because other people are going to extremes does not mean you have to do the same. In fact ,the planets warn that if you go too far today, in any direction, you will regret it over the weekend. Play it safe.

Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You don't have to be assertive, or even aggressive, to get what you desire. Venus and Jupiter come together in such a way that you can quite easily persuade others to give it to you. Don't abuse the situation though.

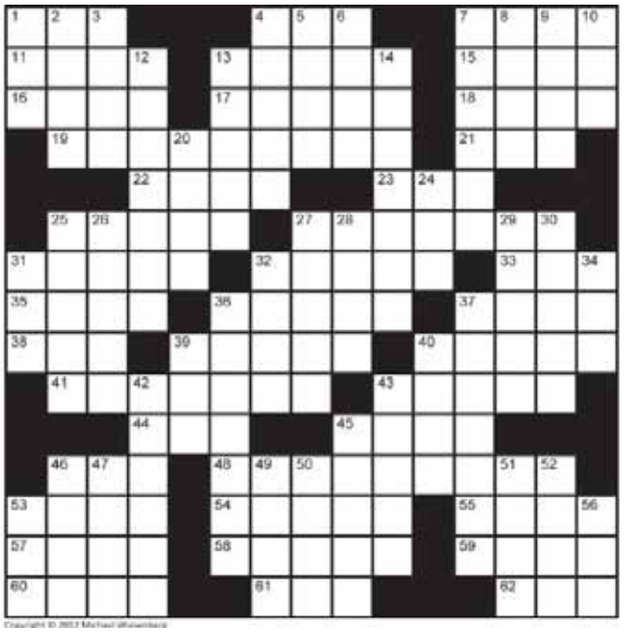
Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Something unexpected will happen over the next 24 hours and it will be the kind of something you enjoy. Most likely a relationship will move to a higher level. Suddenly you are on the same wavelength.

Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
With Jupiter, planet of excess, strong in your chart there is a possibility that you will take the kind of risk that is best avoided. On the other hand, if you don't take a risk how will you progress? It's your choice.

SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Look for Two PMs

BY MICHAEL WIESENBERG



Across
1. Male offspring
4. Big Mac holder
7. Alta. neighbor
11. *Canadian* ___: talent show
13. Bullfighters' garb
15. Bangkok citizen
16. Ontario-born *Scream* star Campbell
17. About 1.057 US quarts
18. At the center of
19. Saskatchewan's largest city
21. Actor Gibson
22. What cabbies and waiters live on
23. Oil or gas additive: initialism
25. Deep valleys
27. See 12-Down
31. Roger ___: Bond player before Dalton
32. Liberal ___
33. High def tape
35. Holier-than-thou type
36. Racket
37. *Daily Planet* reporter Lane
38. Negatives
39. "I___ Know What Time It Was"
40. Fill the crevices of, as a window frame
41. Internet transmission
43. Becomes indistinct
44. Big truck
45. Back of the bus
46. Sheepish sound
48. Halifax group whose 1981 hit "Just Between You and Me" charted in Canada (#6), the US (#21), and the UK (2 wds.)
53. Firing range pieces
54. Centerpiece of many a Sunday dinner
55. "Electric" fishes
57. Bible vessels
58. Early poker pot makers
59. Outbreak
60. Mule's cry
61. Affirmative
62. Fore site

Down
1. One of seven deadly attributes
2. Appreciative verses
3. ___ Scotia
4. Prepares a hook
5. Not more than (2 wds.)
6. Fiddler while Rome burned
7. Calgary's NHL team, familiarly
8. "Alas!" (2 wds.)
9. Explore the seven seas
10. Joke around with
12. With 27-Across, 14th PM (1963-68) (2 wds.)
13. Applauds
14. Endowed with physical feelings
20. Cows, archaically
24. Attempt
25. "You'd better ___": "Please leave" (2 wds.)
26. Like a tooth almost ready for the Tooth Fairy
27. Change the wall color
28. Former: poetic
29. Smell
30. Carpenter's supply
31. AOL rival
32. Pea containers
34. Said singly or in repetition, "Shame on you!"
36. Falls between Canada and the US
37. PM Wilfrid
39. Start of the VIIth century
40. Cat's scratcher
42. Impudently bold
43. Alternatives to suspenders
45. Goes up
46. Raymond ___: New Westminster, BC-born Perry Mason portrayer
47. Ottawa-born singer Paul whose first hit was "Diana" (1957, when he was 14)
49. Polo animal
50. 2.5%/year interest, e.g.
51. Tidy
52. On the other hand
53. Gift of ___: conversationalist's forte
56. That girl

Yesterday's Crossword

What's online

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Sudoku

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

	9	7	4			1		
	2			7		8		
	4		1		9			
			9				8	
9			3		7			5
	3				6			
			2		8		4	
		5		9			1	
		4			5	3	6	

Yesterday's Sudoku

1	4	6	2	7	8	9	5	3
8	2	9	5	6	3	1	7	4
3	5	7	9	1	4	2	6	8
2	3	1	4	8	5	7	9	6
6	9	4	7	2	1	3	8	5
5	7	8	6	3	9	4	2	1
7	1	3	8	9	6	5	4	2
9	6	5	3	4	2	8	1	7
4	8	2	1	5	7	6	3	9

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